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38) [82188] Re: The TRILL IS GONE?
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by "Walter D Amos" <waltk8cv@surfree.com>

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51) [82201] Re: FOX- Bitch of it all
by "Steve Sorrell" <ap036@detroit.freenet.org>

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by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>

53) [82203] Open Letter to All
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54) [82204] Hey Murph Please Reconsider!! (fwd)
by Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>

55) [82205] J8/W2EN on 28.020.4 at 1330Z 10/26/00
by "John L. \"Jake\" Carter" <jakecart@ix.netcom.com>

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58) [82208] Yaesu FT-990 QRP?
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59) [82209] Re: Open Letter to All
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60) [82210] index labs noise blanker?
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61) [82211] WBL V22 the quest continues
by "Joe Trombino" <w2kj@earthlink.net>

62) [82212] Re: Zombie Shuffle: KI6DS Operating times
by Bill Walker <windal@azstarnet.com>

63) [82213] Time to dust this off: QRP-L Pie
by "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>

64) [82214] Re: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>

65) [82215] WBL V22 the quest continues

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- 66) [82216] Meeting October 28!
by "Ed Manuel (N5EM)" <n5em@flash.net>
- 67) [82217] K1 band module bags (keep 'em for holding AA batteries)
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- 68) [82218] Re: Meeting October 28!
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 69) [82219] Re: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
by "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>
- 70) [82220] FOX: K2Q0 Report for 10/25 Hunt
by Brian Kassel <bkassel@dancris.com>
- 71) [82221] Re: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
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- 72) [82222] Re: K1 band module bags (keep 'em for holding AA batteries)
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
- 73) [82223] RE: The fun is gone, and so am I
by "Davies, Doug A FOR:EX" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>
- 74) [82224] RE: The fun is gone, and so am I
by Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
- 75) [82225] Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
by Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
- 76) [82226] Re: The fun is gone
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
- 77) [82227] Re: psk31 and qrp plus
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- 78) [82228] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
- 79) [82229] Re: The "New World Order" at ARS NORC (longish)
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
- 80) [82230] Re: Meeting October 28!
by "Ed Manuel (N5EM)" <n5em@flash.net>
- 81) [82231] Zombie Shuffle Friday Night
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
- 82) [82232] RE: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
by "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
- 83) [82233] FOX Cub frequency search
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 84) [82234] Re: Lightning & Static overvoltage
by Drbob92031@aol.com
- 85) [82235] What is an LMB-139?
by John AE5X <ae5x@juno.com>
- 86) [82236] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
- 87) [82237] Anyone with experience with the Sears brick battery charger?
by "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
- 88) [82238] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
by "Steve Sorrell" <ap036@detroit.freenet.org>
- 89) [82239] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?

- by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
- 90) [82240] Re: FOX Cub frequency search
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
- 91) [82241] QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
- 92) [82242] Walking antenna pics online
by Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>
- 93) [82243] It's the Time of the Season!
by "Manager QRP-L" <manager@astro.cc.lehigh.edu>
- 94) [82244] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
- 95) [82245] RE: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@att.net>
- 96) [82246] Re: Walking antenna pics online
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
- 97) [82247] Re: Zombie Shuffle Friday Night
by tbowman@nbn.net
- 98) [82248] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
by Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
- 99) [82249] Re: FOX - K2QO Report for 10/25 Hunt
by Bob Kellogg <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>
- 100) [82250] Reading the qrp-l list reminds me of "Dumpster Diving"
by Sam Billingsley <SBillingsley@usaninc.com>
- 101) [82251] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
- 102) [82252] Re: Walking antenna pics online
by "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca" <buydens@duke.usask.ca>
- 103) [82253] Re: Zombie Shuffle Friday Night
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
- 104) [82254] Re: It's the Time of the Season! (Correction)
by "Manager QRP-L" <manager@astro.cc.lehigh.edu>
- 105) [82255] Is it time to vote on a new Moderated List?
by Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
- 106) [82256] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca" <buydens@duke.usask.ca>
- 107) [82257] Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S
by "Brockwell, Stephen E. CECOM SEC FSSE ILEX" <brockwse@fssec.army.mil>
- 108) [82258] RE: Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S
by "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>
- 109) [82259] Re: Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S
by Bob Patten <n4bp@bc.seflin.org>
- 110) [82260] Re: Walking antenna pics online, etc.
by "Bruce Kizerian" <kizerian@ced.utah.edu>
- 111) [82261] Re: What is an LMB-139?
by Lew Paceley <lew@paceley.com>
- 112) [82262] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by "Paul Harden, NA5N" <na5n@rt66.com>
- 113) [82263] Re: What is an LMB-139?

by "Mike WA8BXN" <hubby2k@hotmail.com>
114) [82264] W4RNL Articles in QST
by Chuck Adams <k7qo@primenet.com>
115) [82265] Elecraft K2 assembler wanted!!!
by John Doe <kc0bus@altavista.com>
116) [82266] Re: Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
117) [82267] Re: What is an LMB-139?
by "Joe Everhart" <n2cx@voicenet.com>
118) [82268] Thanks
by wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com
119) [82269] Fw: What is an LMB-139?
by "Dave Benson" <nn1g@earthlink.net>
120) [82270] CW Decoder program
by Howard Friedman <haf47@juno.com>
121) [82271] Re: CW Decoder program
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
122) [82272] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
123) [82273] RE: CW Decoder program
by Howard Friedman <haf47@juno.com> (by way of Jerry Parker
<jparker@fix.net>)
124) [82274] RE: The TRILL IS GONE?
by "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfdn.org>
125) [82275] RE: FOX- "split" operation **caution/request**
by "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfdn.org>
126) [82276] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
by "David Maliniak" <dmaliniak@verticalnet.com>
127) [82277] Re: CW Decoder program
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
128) [82278] Clarification of Cub List
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
129) [82279] FOX: Official Results for Hunt 1
by "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
130) [82280] Re: Thanks
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
131) [82281] Warbler Alive in Fresno
by dave_epps@juno.com
132) [82282] Re: It's the Time of the Season!
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
133) [82283] YAESU'S NEW QRP RIG!!!!!!!
by John Doe <kc0bus@altavista.com>
134) [82284] Re: YAESU'S NEW QRP RIG!!!!!!!
by "Mont Pierce" <MyGrapeVine@yahoo.com>
135) [82285] quarterly
by hamjoel@juno.com

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 22:53:54 +0000
From: Nils B Young <rantinen@juno.com>
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82151] Even more ATU gibbering
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Or is it the other way around?

Anyway, I have just returned from a great expedition across miles and miles of blinding circuit board material, thousands of feet of enameled wire, whole mountains of data & very tiny little pieces of stuff that I must have dropped half a dozen times before I finally came upon the goal! And then it had to slap me around a little bit to realize that it'd been done already once before even.

I built another antenna tuner.

Remember how I was thinking of taking the miniature version of the "Ultimate Transmatch" modified T-type tuner apart and rebuilding it as another Z-match? Well, part of the problem was simply that I . . . hold on a minute . . . I think a bat just took off from under my roof eve . . . ok, well anyway, within this "ultimo" thingie I had put a five-position swtich that let me choose two "thru" routes for "tuned" antennas without using the tuner, another position for running the tuner into a coax feed line, another position for a long wire & another with a 4:1 balun for balanced line.

If I wanted to rebuild the box as a Z-match, that switching arrangement would have necessitated me gutting that part of the deal & then rebuilding it using a two-wafer switch so I could have the original set up. Like the long wire & coax lines would have to ground one side of the Z-match output and the other would have been standard parallel line feed. Yeah, right. Like where am I gonna (a) find the switch needed without going broke and (b) find the patience to do the rebuild without going nutzo.

But then I thought: "Hey, I could get rid of the tapped coil & have at least every other inductor switch position go to a different toroid." Which is like communism: it works great on paper. But I did have a bunch of cores left over from other stupid cat tricks that I'd done, and just the right kinds too.

I used two Type 6 material cores for three positions on one core & two positions on the other to cover 10m through 30m. Another two Type 2 material cores in four positions covered 30/40m through 80m (75 & 80 on one form; 30/40 on the other). Then one Type 3 material covered 160m from top to bottom with room on either side in two positions.

Now you have to understand that I did this first the hard way: two cores (one Type 6 and one Type 2), one of which was 2 inches in diameter and covered 30m through 160 only marginally. When I replaced the T-200-2 with all the other stuff for 30m through 160m, life was easier.

So there I was, congratulating myself on (a) having gotten the SG-2020 in the house without Cindy noticing, (b) having built the ATU without too much cussin' and finger burning and (c) being so cool when I suddenly remembered an issue of SPRAT that had an antenna tuner of basically the same form. I know I saw it, 'cause it's a long term memory thing & so far those are the ones that I don't have much trouble with.

Only thing is: I don't know how I got by without doing this before. It freed up so much real estate inside the box (even with replacing the split stator with a rather large one I bought off Dan's SP&K some time ago) and it tunes so sweet now. Why, I can almost hear things again.

No, not the voices. I don't hear the voices any more. If I do I'll get another shocky and I don't want another shocky, ok? Ok? Please? Ok? Not another shocky, ok?

At which point I must ask: Where are all the people on 10m? I mean it's heavy traffic up there sometimes, but I never hear anyone on the "standard" QRP frequencies, even modified from the formal Elecraft K2 (28.715 MHz) frequency. The other night I had a Q with a guy driving a semi load of GM parts in Texas. Yeah, like them other guys on 7.248. But on 28.715 sometimes I hear a voice. No, not those voices. Radio voices, ok?

See you on the air, eh?

73

Nils

Nils R. B. Young -- El Gringo Errante -- W8IJN -- The Tagalong Press
<http://www6.50megs.com/w8ijn> -- <http://members.fortunecity.com/nilsbull>
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Comrade Nikolai

Sergeiovich McTovarishov

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From: Paul Womble <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82152] Dipole vs Inverted Vee
Message-ID: <39F7696A.20F956F2@tampabay.rr.com>
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My 40m antenna now is a 40m inverted vee. The apex is at 70' with each side sloping down, at about a 45 +/- degree angle, and tied off to trees putting the ends of each side somewhere around 35-40' above the ground.

Would I see an improvement in stateside qso performance (gotta stay one step ahead of those bushy tailed foxii) if I lower the center of the antenna down to the 35-40' level and have it closer to a true dipole/flat top?

Thanks,

Paul K4FB
Team Swamp Rats

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 19:15:31 EDT
From: K2UD@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82153] SST VFO at Ft. Tuthill
Message-ID: <a0.b4f90f4.2728c393@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Did I read here a few months ago of someone who VFO'ed his SST, and showed up at Ft. Tuthill with it? That it was going to be written up for one of the

QRP rags in the future? I would love to see this circuit in my SST also!

72 es TNX all

Howard Kraus, K2UD

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 16:20:59 -0700
From: "Roger A. McCarty" <rmccarty@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82154] Re: Lightning
Message-ID: <004e01c03eda\$5e168260\$30202918@mshome.net>
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uh, what's your point?

Pugsly Adams k6EEK

(not a real call)

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2000 2:12 PM
Subject: Re: Lightning

> You're giving me visions of this crew-cut bespecticled kid
> with braces, freckles, and acne, grinning wildly and laughing
> like Pugsly from the Adams family as he draws sparks...
>

> Mike
>
> > Lightning? Yes indeed! As a youngster, I had a full-length 80-meter
dipole
> > up only about 30 feet. Yes, I disconnected it from the rig when bad
> weather
> > moved in -- but I found (to my glee and to my parents' horror) that
during
> > thunderstorms I could get a great spark across the PL-259 every time
> > lightning hit anywhere within several miles of the house!
> >
> > Steve AA4BW
> >
>
>
>

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 18:38:59 -0500
From: "kc0bdw" <kc0bdw@email.msn.com>
To: "qrp" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82155] psk31 and qrp plus
Message-ID: <001901c03edc\$c11ffc40\$663c103f@computer>
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I know this has been asked but I never saw an answer so I'm going to ask
it.. Can one hook up a qrp plus to run psk31 and if so how does one do it?

kc0bdw
Hal Schlotfeld

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 19:43:06 -0400
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
To: ". QRP-L" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82156] Re: Lightning
Message-ID: <021301c03edd\$661c5040\$d10d5cd1@wb3aal>
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From: "Mike Branca" <w3irz@att.net>

> Glen and all, I did a similar stunt here in Georgia a few years ago with
> a
> string of NE-2 neon bulbs between my 500 foot loop and ground then pulled
> up a chair (at 10 feet) and watched. This was during a distant T storm and
> most strikes lit at least one lamp and one distant strike (I counted 5
> seconds) lit all 8 bulbs. Interestingly they light from the top down.
>
> Needless to say one does not wait for the storm before disconnecting. You
> disconnect when you shut the station down.
>
> Mike Branca W3IRZ in Conyers Georgia

Mike is ever so correct. Back when I first got my
license in the 70's and storm came up on the
house very quick. Lightening was flashing all around.
I ran down stairs and disconnected the antenna.
Just as I was removing the PL-259 from the coax switch
I got hit on my hand and I went across the room. It did leave
a burn mark on my hand and it shook me up real good.
But I was ok.

Now I disconnect my antennas when I am finished playing
radio. Remember that you can also have a thunderstorm
in the winter!!

72 & 73
Good DXing

Ron Polityka
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ARCI QRP # 5318	10 - X #13173
NorCal	Zombie #625
ARS # 380	HI QRP #153

VA QRP Society #45 MI QRP #1703
K2 sn1392 NJ QRP #179

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 16:54:23 -0700
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: wb3aal@fast.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82157] Re: Lightning
Message-ID: <39F772AF.7CA30E1E@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

We had some local lightening on 10/10 when the power company had a 16 KV line fall across a 4 KV line. No effect here, but I found out yesterday that most folks on the other side of my street lost **all** electronics, from TVs to kitchen stoves. I was very lucky.

Needless to say, the power company is not offering to do full replacements so no one is all that happy with them

Phil W7OX

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 17:22:59 -0700
From: Stephen M Smith <sigcom@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [82158] Re: Even more ATU gibbering
Message-ID: <20001025.172300.-347775.0.sigcom@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Nils,

So I am not getting it. Is it still El Ultimo or is it a Zed config?
How about putting it on your web page, eh?

73.....Steve, WB6TNL The Scrounger
Oxnard, CA USA "snort rosin"

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Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:41:14 -0400
From: "Pastor-KC1DI" <elbc@pivot.net>
To: <kc0bdw@email.msn.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82159] Re: psk31 and qrp plus
Message-ID: <001701c03ee5\$74e0db20\$0100a8c0@elbc>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----
From: "kc0bdw" <kc0bdw@email.msn.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2000 7:38 PM
Subject: psk31 and qrp plus

> I know this has been asked but I never saw an answer so I'm going to ask
> it.. Can one hook up a qrp plus to run psk31 and if so how does one do it?
>
> kc0bdw
> Hal Schlotfeld
>
Hi Hal,

Should not be a problem, I believe Joel has use his qrp Plus on Psk 31 in the past. I don't have one but you'll need to build a little interface , quite simply really and you'll need to find a way to conect audio into the Mic. input and audio out of the rig. Headphone Jack to the sound card.

You'll also need to find away for the Computer comport to conect to the rig push to talk circuit. on my scout i just use the ptt on the mic. contnector.

Here are a couple of web sites that have some interface circuitry you can adpt to you needs.

<http://www.qsl.net/wm2u/interface.html>

<http://www.sanduskyohio.com/LECTROKIT/misc.htm>

or the cadillac of Interfaces, commercailly Rig Blaster
<http://www.westmountainradio.com/>

Psk31 is a great qrp mode.

hope you get up and running it's really quite simple and you'll enjoy it .

73 Dave KC1DI

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:46:09 -0400
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@fast.net>
To: ". QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82160] C6A/WA3WSJ
Message-ID: <02b501c03ee6\$3421bb80\$d10d5cd1@wb3aal>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I am posting this for Ed, WA3WSJ.

=====
Hi all!

My name is Ed Breneiser, WA3WSJ.
I'll operate as C6A/WA3WSJ on Abaco Island in the
Bahamas from 11-21-00 to 11-28-00.
I 'll operate QRP on 10M to 160M including the WARC
Bands. Look for me in the CQWWCW Contest.

Please QSL directly to WA3WSJ.

72,
Ed, WA3WSJ

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 18:55:13 -0600
From: "James R. Duffey" <jamesd1@flash.net>
To: <VE3ERP@encode.com>, qrp-l <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82161] Hey Murph Please Reconsider!!
Message-ID: <B61CDD10.321A%jamesd1@flash.net>
Mime-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Hey Murph - I, and I am sure others, have greatly appreciated your participation in QRP-L since you have joined. Please stay!

If the contesting posts are a problem for you, I will suggest two alternates.

1. Subscribe to the digest, which comes once a day. This way you can sort through the posts you like and don't like.
2. Send a message to the list manager to "postpone". Then you will not receive any of the posts, but will be able to post to the list, which I think is valuable. You can read the list through the archives and only open those posts which have interest to you. The URL for the archives is:

<http://listserv.lehigh.edu/lists/Archives/qrp-l/>

You might also say a word or two about your two penny clothespin iambic paddle to the list. I think that there would be plenty of interest.

Please Stay. - Dr. MEgacycle KK6MC/5

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James R. Duffey KK6MC/5
30 Casa Loma Road
Cedar Crest, NM 87008

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 19:58:05 -0500
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
To: <w6abc@yahoo.com>
Cc: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82162] Muticore Solders
Message-ID: <00a101c03ee7\$cc62d310\$5ac07481@rohredt2000>

Sounds like you have one of the finest solders made in the world. I started using Multicore solder when it was Ersin Multicore from England imported into Texas in 1960. It must have done well here, as it is now made in the Dallas Ft. Worth metroplex. Look on the web for <multicoresolder>

The core is five holes with flux in them! That gives excellent wetting with low residue as they do not need as much volume of flux. They make a solder that is enhanced to not corrode copper tips. They make a version with silver content for even brighter joints. Think I have about 10 years on my last tip. I have to change them not from wear, but because the components get smaller every 3 years.

It is not a Radio Shack product, but maybe Radio Shack is buying some from them? (Their former solder was not up to Multicore quality.)

I think if you have 40 years with no problems with a solder in commercial research lab use, on prototypes and on ham gear, and repairs to equipment, then it must be a good product. It has always outperformed Kester solders I have tried from time to time. I built all my Ten Tec and SWL and K2 kits with Multicore solder and not one cold joint yet.

If it is small enough gauge you should have good results with it. I find folks have problems with solder if they use too big a gauge or too small a gauge for the junction they are soldering. Match the solder to a suitable wattage iron and clean the tip on a wet sponge and you will get good solder joints. If you do not use too much solder, you should not have excess flux residue.

GL and 72,
Stuart K5KVH

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:07:32 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <wb3aal@fast.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82163] Re: Lightning
Message-ID: <004501c03ee9\$251c7d20\$0600a8c0@dad>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Years ago in Texas, we put a home-made repeater up on a tower for 220. It went through a number of iterations, but one of them de build the equivilent of a line switch. You've seen the boxes that have a 'wire handle' out the side, and inside the box the wire handle pushes a set of contacts to make or break.

Well, what we built was two pieces of wood that went together. One was a row of SO-239's. The other was a row of the "PUSH ON" style of PL-259's. When the boards were pushed together all the connectors mated. When a storm approached, the boards could be pulled apart, and the cables totally separated.

Was so easy to disconnect, my friend could call home, and have his wife do a quick disconnect.

Mike

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:10:55 -0400
From: Donn Kuse <casey.jay@gte.net>
To: "qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82164] Re: Antennas
Message-ID: <39F7849F.26AC7D79@gte.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks to all that replied about my query. For those who have the Cushcraft, it's the one that I would prefer, but the cost is too high for me now. It looks like I'll be getting the hamsticks dipole for now. Still working on my TVI problem on the 99A vertical. Going to try moving it farther from the TV antenna.
73s, Donn, WB4ZWT
65 and still "trying to learn"

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 19:18:29 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: QRP-L List <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82165] FOX Fox on VOA stn
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010251915040.1873-100000@cannac.ampr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I worked Glenn WA7SPY this evening as the 40M Cub Fox Hunt no real problem, but for gods sake there is a Voice of America on the same frequency 7115 KHz! The VOA station is 20 over s9 and building up.

Go get him and hope the VOA goes off the air...

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:20:43 -0400
From: Fred Lesnick <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82166] Fox Cub
Message-ID: <39F786EB.146A7D82@tbaytel.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Anyone hearing the young fox tonight? I have been listening for Glenn for a bit now and no sign of the pesky critter. Lots of broadcast stations and QSOs happening, but no fox.

Fred
VE3FAL

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 18:29:47 -0700
From: Jeff Stai WK6I <jstai@home.com>
To: Elecraft <elecraft@qth.net>, "qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82167] K1 filter board - band component installing tip
Message-ID: <39F7890B.B5710BD9@home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

hi - To keep from looking at the wrong reference designator list, just take one of those post-its you are using as a bookmark and cover the right column when installing band 1, then move it to cover the left column when installing band 2.

You can use more post-its to hide the other band columns, but try not to go overboard....;-)

Back to the filter board! - j

ps: Be -sure- to inventory all of your parts before even warming up the 700 degree tip! Had a couple issues, already being taken care of.

--
jeff stai
WK6I DM13
NAR #21059 TRA #3356 L2

jstai@home.com / wk6i@arrl.net
ROC web page: <http://www.rocstock.org/>

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 19:44:50 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: Fred Lesnick <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82168] Re: Fox Cub
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010251943510.1916-100000@cannac.ampr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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QRM...hi

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> VE3FAL
>
>
>

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:44:21 EDT
From: Kevin L Anderson <k9iua@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82169] FOX- "split" operation **caution/request**
Message-ID: <20001025.204146.5367.0.K9IUA@juno.com>

Foxii:

A request to help keep this hunt "fun" for as many
as possible --

While I agree wholeheartedly with the need to spread the hunters out and, as long as conditions are good (the tendency during "bad" conditions is to "huddle in"), to have us stay off the Fox's frequency, I do wish to add a ****caution**** or request about splitting us to far away.

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Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 19:59:01 -0600
From: "dwinfield" <dendav@dzdn.com>
To: "qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82170] FOX - Fox Cub - Thanks, Glenn!
Message-ID: <001b01c03ef0\$515a00e0\$c826fea9@pavilion>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Finally got on the board. What a feeling! What a relief!

Glenn:

Thanks for sticking with me. I appreciate it A LOT!

72/73 es oo,

Dave, KB5MHS
Far Left Texas, DM61ts

SOC #371, Flying Pig #-109, QRP-L #2176

QRP - It's a swine thing

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:56:51 -0400
From: Gwendolyn Patton <wendy_lyn@unforgettable.com>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82171] Is it asking too much for the foxhunters to make their own list?
Message-ID: <200010260156.SAA22855@avocet.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

>Just found him at 7114.2 KHz working with a w3 stn. In between=
phone
>QRM...hi

Yanno...I think you foxhunt guys have sufficient bandwidth to=
start
your own list...why don't you check with qth.net or egroups and=
start
it up? It just seems that, even tho a lot of foxhunting stuff is=

at
low power levels, it has a life of its own and probably could=
sustain
its own area.

That'd free up a fair amount of qrp-l bandwidth for the other QRP=
issues, and save us that aren't currently into foxhunting some=
wear
and tear on our delete keys.

This isn't a flame, it isn't a bitch, it's *just* a suggestion. =
Take
it or not as you see fit...flames in return will be forwarded to=
dev/null.

73,
Gwen, KB3DVJ

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 22:09:38 -0400
From: S LYON <sslyon@worldnet.att.net>
To: VE3ERP@ENCODE.COM
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82172] Open Letter to Murph and All
Message-ID: <39F79262.C103347A@worldnet.att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Greetings, Murph
First, I want to thank you sincerely for your efforts on our collective
behalfes. You provide a wonderful resource within easy reach of the most
deprived -or depraved among us.

Second, I would hope that over time you would: 1.) develop a deft touch
with your delete key; 2.) See and appreciate the application of (among
other gifts) the unique gift you provide.

Sure... some get all wound up and ride a thread to death at times, and
sure there are occasional posts more limbic than cerebral. But I'm
taking dear time to plea for more time and perspective on your part. On
this list I have found the underground of what I consider the very best
in ham radio. They're not just surviving, but thriving, and I'm very

happy to risk genetic mutation of my progeny's' DEL fingers to keep in touch with that. Stick around... you'll be glad you did

73

-s-

George Murphy wrote:

>

> I am a recent subscriber to this list, which is a commendably vibrant and

>

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'Seab' Lyon - AA1MY

Beacon NY USA FN-31

QRP-L 574 ARCI 9253

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:04:06 -0600 (MDT)

From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>

To: Kevin L Anderson <k9iua@juno.com>

Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [82173] Re: FOX- "split" operation **caution/request**

Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010252000100.1945-100000@cannac.ampr.org>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I suggest you check your Ten Tec gear with more care. My really OLD Argonaut has +- 5 KHz Offset tuning and is not modified. I should think the newer gear would be even wider.

And the first radios with a and b vfo's first came out 15 years ago. You can't buy a kenwood, icom or yaesu now without it.

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Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:04:13 -0500
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82174] on a cliff ant.
Message-ID: <00de01c03ef1\$09772ea0\$5ac07481@rohredt2000>

Our FD inverted (V) double Zepp shore worked fine on our little hill.
And it is true that an antenna on a hill gives you extra gain at low angels.
See Moxon book on Ants., Les Moxon, published by RSGB of UK, but sold by
ARRL bookstore.

72, Stuart K5KVH

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 22:05:11 -0400
From: n4qa@juno.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [82175] Anyone besides me ever operate an HW-7 with crystal controlled
transmit ?
Message-ID: <20001025.220515.-99927.0.n4qa@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi, y'all.

I built my first HW-7 back in '72.

For many years, I couldn't seem to make it work in xtal xmit.

Then, one day, I decided to use my HD-1410 keyer with the HW-7.

Quoting now from page 54 of the HD-1410 manual:

"NOTE: If you plan to use this keyer with an HW-7 Transceiver, make the
following modifications to the TRANSCEIVER:

1. Interchange the two wires that are connected to the key jack.
2. Change resistor R39 from 470 ohms to 4700 ohms.
3. Change resistor R14 from 47 K ohms to 10 K ohms."

Well, folks, sometime after I made the above mods to the HW-7 (may have
been years later), I discovered that the xtal xmit function works just
fine...hmmm...

As a sideline, I have only attempted xtal xmit on 40 meters with
fundamental rocks of the FT-243 variety.

Anyway, I'm sure that I must have tried xtal xmit while using a straight
key, at some point so I don't think that mod 1, above, had anything to do

with xtal xmit success. That leaves me suspecting that mod 2 and/or mod 3, above, also enabled the xtal xmit function.
And, of course, all three mods are necessary to allow an HD-1410 or other "modern" keyer to properly key the HW-7.
Well, that's my story and I'm stickin' to it.
Any other observations/ experiences along these lines?
73-1,
Bill, N4QA

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Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:22:08 -0500
From: "TC Dufresne" <tdufres@radiks.net>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82176] Fox-Got him!!
Message-ID: <003301c03ef3\$8c3480c0\$9cf31dce@server>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang: Just got him at 0212z. He's a crafty devil... Thought I had him earlier, but wasn't sure. Was just barely copy-able (is that a word?) So, He then started coming in much stronger, so I put on my orange hunters safety cap (boy did the XYL laugh when she saw that!) and shot! Got him! Came right back with a 549! From California no less!
Cool! Score one for the porch puppy!
de KCOGXX
Tom

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:26:20 -0600
From: "J. Medley" <jmedley@ix.netcom.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82177] Zombie Shuffle this Friday!
Message-ID: <39F7964C.DB2CA8A8@ix.netcom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi folks! Don't forget, the Zombie Shuffle is coming up this Friday, 10/27. If you need the rules and score sheet, go to:

<http://members.nbci.com/n0qt/zombie.htm>

We've got a whole bunch of Elvis stations ready and rarin' to go, so come join the fun. Remember, you only need to submit a score sheet via email or snail mail. Guaranteed fun for all!

72,
Jan N0QT
Witchess & Grand Zombie 015

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 22:35:01 EDT
From: Shepherd@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82178] The fun is gone, and so am I
Message-ID: <33.be2e09a.2728f255@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

To all the great friends that I have made on this list, good-bye. The past several years have been more fun and educating than words could express.

Special thanks to Doc, K0EVZ, you have done so much to get people into this mode of the hobby, and I will always be grateful for your help and Elmering. If it were not for you and the "old" QRP-l, I would be on SSB running 1 kW :-)

QRP-l has just gone to the dogs, and it's only getting worse. I was so pumped up on the Fox Hunts (which I will still take part in this year) starting this fall, and so far there is so much complaining and whining going on that there is no more fun left.

You can't post Fox reports without people getting ticked off, you can't miss a FOX without complaining about how he did a lousy job, you can't post operating tips without starting a flame war, and the list goes on. This is not the QRP-l I first joined and loved, the fun is gone and so am I.

72, es God Bless all.
Dan, N8IE Kettering, Oh

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:37:27 -0500

From: bob evinger <wd9eka@arrl.net>
To: myetsko@insydesw.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82179] Re: Lightning
Message-ID: <39F798E7.8AC1D016@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Okay, I need to throw my 2 cents in. I was in college and still living at home, summer of 1981. I had a plethora of dipoles strung, one of which was also a 80 meter 1/2 wave dipole in the 20-30 foot up range. All the antennas came into a 5 position antenna switch. I also had a 100 watt incandescent light bulb soldered to a short piece of coax, but no grounds. I always put the switch on the bulb whenever I was not using it and disconnected the cable to the radio.

It was just after dark and had a severe storm move in, lightning hits all over the place I was sitting at my desk in my bedroom. My youngest sister who was 11 at the time came in to be protected by big brother. About the time she sat down on the bed. There was one of the flash and booms that had very little discernible delay between them. The 100 watt light bulb lit to full brilliance and we both dove out the door. Never did figure out where that current found ground at, but the next day after I got off the midnight to 8 shift at my summer job at an aluminum plant, I went and got the material to at least improve the nonexistent ground immensely.

There were 2 things that made that night memorable, the light bulb getting lit and during that same storm the plant had one of their big annealing furnace blow up. One of the heat tubes had a split in it, flame went out in that tube. Natural gas pumped into the oven and backed up into the exhaust into one of the tubes that was still lit. The furnace operator was killed when the 20+ tall door blew off and landed over 100 foot away. Dad was working on the other side

of the plant and said there was a huge cloud of fire that just curled along the ceiling of the plant from all the unburnt gases that were released. They don't think it was related to the lightning but the exhaust stacks for the furnace did exit on the roof and probably made equally good targets.

Needless to say, I am considerably more ground conscious since that event. Probably still not as safe as it could be, but a whole lot better than that night in '81.

bob

Mike Yetzko wrote:

>
> You're giving me visions of this crew-cut bespectacled kid
> with braces, freckles, and acne, grinning wildly and laughing
> like Pugsly from the Adams family as he draws sparks...
>
> Mike
>
> > Lightning? Yes indeed! As a youngster, I had a full-length 80-meter dipole
> > up only about 30 feet. Yes, I disconnected it from the rig when bad
> > weather
> > moved in -- but I found (to my glee and to my parents' horror) that during
> > thunderstorms I could get a great spark across the PL-259 every time
> > lightning hit anywhere within several miles of the house!
> >
> > Steve AA4BW
> >

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Bob Evinger WD9EKA Marshall, Illinois
If Guns Cause Crime, Then Matches Cause Arson.

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 22:50:56 EDT
From: RangerSF5@aol.com
To: Shepherd@aol.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82180] Re: The fun is gone, and so am I
Message-ID: <22.cf63371.2728f610@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 10/25/00 10:37:32 PM Eastern Daylight Time,
Shephed@aol.com writes:

<<

You can't post Fox reports without people getting ticked off, you can't miss a FOX without complaining about how he did a lousy job, you can't post operating tips without starting a flame war, and the list goes on. This is not the QRP-1 I first joined and loved, the fun is gone and so am I.

>>

Hey Dan,
I'm right behind you at 12 O'clock high.
Skydivers, Good to the last DROP!
WA2HOQrp <tm>

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:08:46 -0700 (PDT)
From: ABCQRP <w6abc@yahoo.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [82181] K1 Construction Progress
Message-ID: <20001026030846.17249.qmail@web2101.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Hi,
Just thought I'd let those who are building or intend to build the K1 that I have begun. Today I put together the 40/20 Filter board. It went together without a hitch and took about 2 and a half hours to put together. Make sure you exchange the 22pf for the 10pf that the errata on the web indicates. Other than that change all was according to the manual. All the DMM measurements were on the money and the Torroids were a breeze to tin. I am using a handheld Weller 35 watt iron for the project and .20 Multicore Solder. I am taking pictures of the progress and hopefully will catch the building at stages that reflect the very good instructions in the manual. I'm not going to finish this one before heading to the East Coast on Tuesday, but will pick it up on the return. So should have it done the second week of November. Too bad too, I'm going to do some operating with Ron WB3AAL on the Appalachian trail on the weekend of the 4th and 5th, weather permitting. IF not there then wherever I can hang my dipole.

73 for now,
Jack W6ABC K1#37 K2#322

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Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 23:10:46 -0400

From: "George Heron N2APB" <n2apb@erols.com>

To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Cc: "NJQRP" <NJQRP@njqrp.org>

Subject: [82182] PSK-80 "NJ Warbler" Kit - update 10/25

Message-ID: <00d501c03efa\$57bca1e0\$0100000a@gheron>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There are still Warblers left from the 1st run of this kit! A whole bunch of these PSK-31 transceiver kits for 80m were sold to Pacificon QRPers, and a whole bunch more are being readied for shipping this week to those who ordered by mail. But to answer the many queries coming in by email ... yes, they are still in stock!

A big thank you goes to Chuck Adams, K7Q0 and Dave Meacham, W6EMD for doing "First Reviews" of the Warbler assembly. We've captured these comments and placed them onto a KIT NOTES page referenced at the top of the PSK-80 Warbler home page (<http://www.njqrp.org/warbler/index.html>) Take a look here for the summary of assembly and operating tips, and manual corrections. You can also download a revised Warbler Technical Manual containing the clarifications for winding T1 and T2.

As you know, we have the wrong size heatsinks in the Warbler kits supplied at Pacificon. So if you purchased a kit there, please email me (n2apb@amsat.org) and we'll get a couple of smaller heatsinks out to you right away. We have them in already and can mail the small padded envelope immediately upon receipt of your mailing address. And we'll also include another small length of magnet wire to wind the T2 secondary.

Thanks to all who have purchased the PSK-80 Warbler Kit from the NJQRP. Operating PSK on 80m with this board, coupled with DigiPan software (free download from the 'Net), is a real blast. And QRPers in various locations have started organizing local "PSK nets" with their friends and club members ... it's a perfect use of this digital mode.

Please let us know of your successes in building and using the PSK-80 "NJ Warbler".

72, George N2APB
n2apb@amsat.org
for the NJQRP at <http://www.njqrp.org>
PSK-80 Warbler at <http://www.njqrp.org/warbler/>

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 22:35:57 -0500
From: Lee Bahr <w5drc@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [82183] The TRILL IS GONE?
Message-ID: <39F7A69D.F742B8A7@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I can take any criticism anyone puts out on this list. After subscribing to some other list including some outside of ham radio, I can say the bad stuff on here is nothing compared to what goes on elsewhere. Subscribe to the Collins Reflector or to a Barbecue Group, and you can really get a taste of insanity!

I think we all need to take a break before writing something someone else could take as offensive. I know I have not always followed my own advice and burned someone and then felt bad about it. It always seems the post seems ten times worse to the reader then to the sender. Life is too short to make enemies or let something small ruin ones day. This is still the best part of Ham Radio today!

QRP is fun and one must just immerse oneself in that portion of the hobby he likes and tune out the noise with your QRM filter. There are a lot of guys on here, some that are very silent but really nice guys. I try and cope with the bad by saying to myself, "there is MUCH MORE GOOD here then bad"! I can take it! You guys a princess compared to many other groups!

Lee Bahr w0vt Houston

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:13:14 -0700
From: "K7FD-N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, "elecraft" <elecraft@qth.net>
Subject: [82184] Major Mojo and then some...

Message-ID: <002801c03efa\$b3aa4340\$a231ad8@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

K5K Kingman Reef at 800mw/K2 on 15cw tonight...yowzers!! Fun stuff!

73 John K7FD

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:27:27 -0700 (PDT)
From: Steve Yates <aa5tb@yahoo.com>
To: VE3ERP@ENCODE.COM, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82185] Re: Open Letter to All
Message-ID: <20001026032727.5363.qmail@web3004.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Hi Murph and the group,

I can understand the predicament. Instead of leaving QRP-L may I suggest an alternative?

To keep your mail box clean you can postpone your QRP-L subscription yet you can still post to QRP-L via e-mail if you desire. All of the messages can be viewed in a nice and orderly fashion at the following HTML page:

<http://listserv.lehigh.edu/lists/Archives/qrp-l/index.html>

I have found that QRP-L posts usually show up on the Web page before they show up in my mail box anyway. Viewing the messages using this method makes it easy to ignore the posts that you are not interested in and the threads are arranged in a neat and orderly format.

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73,
Steve Yates - AA5TB
Fort Worth, TX - EM12gs
<http://www.geocities.com/aa5tb>
aa5tb@arrl.net

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Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:38:35 -0700
From: "Trevor Jacobs" <fxtech@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82186] Think I got the FOX, but lost him...
Message-ID: <002b01c03efe\$3a5a8500\$279cb2d1@tjacobs>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Heard Glen WA7SPY on my SMK-1 but he was to low in frequency and I couldn't get him. He was around 7.116 MHz and my crystal was 7.122 MHz, and you can only bend it so much, so I fire up the ICOM IC-718 (set to 4.5 watts permanently for CW) and tried to find him again. BC and noise was pretty bad tonight here in Burbank, and I'd hear him start sending CQ FOX again before I'd even finished sending my call, so didn't think he was hearing me. Basicly I zero beated him and shifted about 200 Hz and he finally came back, but wouldn't you know it, I lost him in the noise!!! I got my RST and I sent his, but I could barely make him out after that. Was fun though but don't know if this counts for a true snare. Hope to chat with some more of you guys on the air!!! This was a challenge! Thanks for the very quick QS0 Glen. Take care!!!

73
Trev
KG6CYN

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 20:44:42 -0700
From: "Trevor Jacobs" <fxtech@earthlink.net>
To: <n4qa@juno.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82187] Re: Anyone besides me ever operate an HW-7 with crystal controlled transmit ?
Message-ID: <005501c03eff\$1620ba00\$279cb2d1@tjacobs>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I still have an HW-7 (and 8 and 9), and used one in NY along with my HW-8 and made a ton of QSO's with them both. I prefer the HW-8, but the 7's a nice rig, just lacks a bit of sensitivity on the RX. Hey, if you want to try an HW-7 to HW-7 QSO, I'll fire it up. I never had any probs with the xtal. I have a few of the old style 40m xtals and used them with it a few times. Take care...

73
Trev
KG6CYN

----- Original Message -----

From: <n4qa@juno.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2000 7:05 PM
Subject: Anyone besides me ever operate an HW-7 with crystal controlled transmit ?

> Hi, y'all.
> I built my first HW-7 back in '72.
> For many years, I couldn't seem to make it work in xtal xmit.
> Then, one day, I decided to use my HD-1410 keyer with the HW-7.
> Quoting now from page 54 of the HD-1410 manual:
> "NOTE: If you plan to use this keyer with an HW-7 Transceiver, make the
> following modifications to the TRANSCEIVER:
> 1. Interchange the two wires that are connected to the key jack.
> 2. Change resistor R39 from 470 ohms to 4700 ohms.
> 3. Change resistor R14 from 47 K ohms to 10 K ohms."
>
> Well, folks, sometime after I made the above mods to the HW-7 (may have
> been years later), I discovered that the xtal xmit function works just
> fine...hmmm...
> As a sideline, I have only attempted xtal xmit on 40 meters with
> fundamental rocks of the FT-243 variety.
> Anyway, I'm sure that I must have tried xtal xmit while using a straight
> key, at some point so I don't think that mod 1, above, had anything to do
> with xtal xmit success. That leaves me suspecting that mod 2 and/or mod
> 3, above, also enabled the xtal xmit function.
> And, of course, all three mods are necessary to allow an HD-1410 or other
> "modern" keyer to properly key the HW-7.
> Well, that's my story and I'm stickin' to it.
> Any other observations/ experiences along these lines?
> 73-1,
> Bill, N4QA
> -----

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Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 23:47:53 EDT
From: Nv4t@aol.com
To: w5drc@earthlink.net, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82188] Re: The TRILL IS GONE?
Message-ID: <a3.d0fca80.27290369@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I got flamed so bad on the "Collins List", that I still smell like barbecue!!
Let's lighten up. this is supposed to be a "FUN" hobby, y'all.

72, and 00, Bill nv4t

Date: Wed, 25 Oct 2000 21:13:04 -0700
From: "Glenn Maclean" <glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82189] Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
Message-ID: <001901c03f03\$114bb580\$2088fea9@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This was a very strange night. I never heard VOA Voice of America as some other stations reported. I guess that is why I did not hear very many stations responding to my CQ. I was very surprised that there was not much action from the Pacific Northwest. My Windom antenna favors that direction. Anyway here is my puny log of tonight's hunt. I learned a lot being a first time cub fox and hope to do better next time. Signals would come and disappear just as fast. Please send me corrections. I know there were some of you who called and I missed. I just could not pull you in.

Glenn WA7SPY

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01:45	AA7EQ	559	AZ	BOB	5W
02:05	KC0GXX	449	NE	TOM	5W
02:08	K5DI	559	NM	KARL	5W
02:10	K5OI	559	NM	TIM	
5W					
02:20	W0WIS	339	WI	NICK	4W
02:22	W6DU	599	CA	RICH	
100W					
02:26	N6NU	579	CA	ANDY	5W
02:28	AA6R	599	CA	GARY	2W
02:30	AD6JY	579	CA	DAN	5W
02:35	W0CS	539	MO	DAVE	5W
02:38	N4ROA	339	VA	BILL	
5W					
02:45	KI0II	559	CO	RON	
5W					
02:59	KG6CYN	599	CA	TREV	4.5W

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 00:23:15 -0700
 From: "Trevor Jacobs" <fxtech@earthlink.net>
 To: <glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
 Subject: [82190] Re: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
 Message-ID: <001401c03f1d\$9be743c0\$239fb2d1@tjacobs>
 MIME-Version: 1.0
 Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
 Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Glenn,

Was great fun, the band just wasn't cooperating for us tonight. Your code was armchair copy when I could hear you, nice and steady, just the way I like it! Hope to hear you again on the air when the band conditions are better. Good luck to all the hounds! This is my first fox hunt and it's just too much fun! Take care all

73

Trev

KG6CYN

FISTS #7814 - got a new number to add to the e-mail tag hehehehehe ;-)

----- Original Message -----

From: Glenn Maclean <glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2000 9:13 PM
Subject: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log

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> 02:08	K5DI	559	NM	KARL	5W
> 02:10	K5OI	559	NM	TIM	
> 5W					
> 02:20	W0WIS	339	WI	NICK	
> 4W					
> 02:22	W6DU	599	CA	RICH	
> 100W					
> 02:26	N6NU	579	CA	ANDY	
> 5W					
> 02:28	AA6R	599	CA	GARY	
> 2W					
> 02:30	AD6JY	579	CA	DAN	
> 5W					
> 02:35	W0CS	539	MO	DAVE	5W
> 02:38	N4ROA	339	VA	BILL	
> 5W					
> 02:45	KI0II	559	CO	RON	
> 5W					
> 02:59	KG6CYN	599	CA	TREV	
> 4.5W					
>					

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>

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:11:07 +0100
From: Jack Bennett <J.Bennett@lboro.ac.uk>
To: Qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82191] MAR3/MAV3 Thanks
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20001026091107.007cb4e0@staff-mailin.lboro.ac.uk>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hi Chaps,

Many thanks for the heads up, I appreciate it.
72,

Jack.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 06:49:37 EDT
From: WB9MII@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82192] 10M QRP DX
Message-ID: <98.bd0e609.27296641@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello friends,
Yesterday with my vintage TT Century 21 at 5W and an indoor Lil Wonder antenna near a window I worked C6A/KI6T and C08ZZ. Got the C6A/ on the first call and as I recall got the C08 on the 2nd. My Elmer (W9JMG - recently a silent key) told me we don't need a KW and pile of aluminum to work DX. It was true 27 yrs ago and true now. QRP is a blast.

72

Greg WB9MII
QRP ARCI 9719

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 07:24:16 -0400

From: Peter_Simpson@ne.3com.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82193] RG-58 offer
Message-ID: <85256984.003F66AF.00@usboxmta.ne.3com.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

I have acquired a large batch (at least a couple thousand feet) of "Thinnet" ethernet cable, indistinguishable from RG-58. It came in 90 meter rolls, terminated with crimp-on BNC connectors, and is perfect for QRP use, when cut into manageable lengths of 50 or 100 ft.

I have much more than I can use, and, since it didn't cost me anything, I'm going to give it away, 50 or 100 ft at a time, until it runs out.

Here's the deal:

Send me \$3.20 (cash or check), a mailing label and how much cable you want (50 or 100 feet). I'll roll it up, put it in a Priority Mail box and slap your label on it.

This is going to take some time, because I have to stretch it down the driveway to measure it. Be patient. You may get a "bonus" BNC crimped on one end. No guarantees. One length per customer, void where prohibited.

(I may regret this)
If you want me to terminate BOTH ends with crimp-on BNCs, send me email before you send your envelope. Digi-Key has the connectors for \$2.26 each, and I have the tool. It's more work, so it will take longer, but if you pay for the connectors, I can do it. I figure \$10 would be a fair price for this. (\$5 for the connectors, \$3.20 postage and \$1.80 labor)

If I run out of cable before I fill all the orders, I'll send your money back.

Peter Simpson, KA1AXY

POB 6634
Holliston MA 01746

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 07:30:17 -0400
From: wb2vuo@juno.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82194] PSK-31 and the Older Computer, the Results...
Message-ID: <20001026.073023.-296175.0.wb2vuo@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks for all of the input. The majority consensus is "Try it and See...", so I will.

I have received direct replies and read the posts to the QRP-L that range from "I couldn't run it that way" and "It's too slow" to "It runs fine on a 486 with 16 Megs RAM"

One common thread in the replies was to keep the TSR's and background apps to a minimum. I'll do that. I have everything up & running except the rig interface. I am going to build up the switchable digital interface from the November 2000 "QST" to keep the cable switching down to a minimum.

I'll post to the List when I am on the air. It will be QRP for sure.

72/73, Keith, WB2VUO, 100% QRP from the Depths of the Great Bergen Swamp
President, Brockport Amateur Radio Klub & Tech Coordinator, ARRL WNY
Section

My night light runs more power than my Rig!!!

Replies - <mailto:wb2vuo@arrl.net>

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 04:59:32 -0700 (PDT)
From: Steve Yates <aa5tb@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82195] Re: Major Mojo and then some...

Message-ID: <20001026115932.28129.qmail@web3005.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Hi John,

Congratulations on the contact!

I have been hearing K5K on 30m every night and was wondering why he had such a pileup. Some DXer's are notorious for not sending any information on the air and in this case I found it difficult to find any information on the net.

I wonder if you can tell me a source for finding out information on special event callsigns?
QRZ.com, Buckmasters, FCC, and Google have not provided me any information.

I happened to catch a recording of a young girl scout (N8G) working Kuwait during JOTA and thought she and/or her club may be interested in the recording but I have had no luck finding information on N8G.

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73,
Steve Yates - AA5TB
Fort Worth, TX - EM12gs
<http://www.geocities.com/aa5tb>
aa5tb@arrl.net

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:11:39 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <wendy_lyn@unforgettable.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82196] Re: Is it asking too much for the foxhunters to make their own list?
Message-ID: <00bd01c03f47\$01dd92a0\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well, if we all complain and say "it isn't a bitch", does that make it not one?

Hey, there's tons of stuff here, and while some people may not like all of it, I can honestly say the Fox hunts, while something I really don't give a squat about, IS something QRP related.

I personally find the jabs and gloating some people post about the fox annoying and just plain silly.

But it IS QRP related.

Annoying as it is to me, I don't see how you could justify taking it off the list.

If I WERE to try to lay a hard rule on the list, it would have to be the "I met so and so for lunch", or the inane post that are advertisements in disguise. But please note I do NOT mean the post that are the 'informative' ones of something being available, or even the occasional review. In that case, it's like pornography. I know it when I see it, but defining it is a real problem. At lease most of these are one-shots that make their appearance and then maybe one or two responses the thread dies.

So I would say to everyone, just roll with the punches, cause the cure would be infinitely worse than the disease.

Mike

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:20:56 -0400
From: ed.kwik@delphiauto.com
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [82197] FOX - An Alternative
Message-ID: <05256984.00444F59.00@usabhm99.mail.delphiauto.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Disposition: inline

If the FOX thing is getting too much for you, try a QRP net. There are several around. Check the QRP web sites. The Michigan QRP net meets Tuesday nights at 9:00 PM Eastern time on 3.535 Mhz.. Everyone is welcome. You get a chance to do more than just send an exchange. It is a good way to check out you set up on 80 meters and see how your antenna loads and works way down there. A couple of weeks ago we had check-ins from five states.

Ed AB8DF NCS MI QRP Net

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:42:37 -0400
From: "Upton, Shawn" <SUpton@ALLEGROMICRO.com>
To: "'qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU'" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82198] Re: Attic Antenna won't keep you from storm problems, and they work well, like an attic antenna!
Message-ID: <E1F0152638DBD311AEF700D0B74455E20825BD@EXCHANGE_NH>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

What about mobile antenna setups? I leave the 2m/70cm antenna hooked to the rig all the time (no tuner, of course), and the hf rig I usually leave connected to the antenna (but the tuner could easily gnd the antenna and the rig).

KB1CKT
Shawn Upton
Concord, NH

Subject: [82046] Re: Attic Antenna won't keep you from storm problems, and they work well, like an attic antenna!
Message-ID: <003301c03e28\$eca19400\$c2212940@pavilion>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

When you get a direct hit with lightning, you will have more to worry about than a zapped rig. :) Disconnecting rigs and grounding should be standard practices regardless as Stuart pointed out. I have heard of horror stories of "Disconnected" rigs, computers, etc being zapped by nearby hits. One

type of electric damage that you do avoid is the static buildup due to wind blowing over the wire. This is really noticable during dry winters. That is why you should ground the antenna when not in use.

The other hazard is the RF you subject the inhabitants with. With QRP levels, you should be good to go.

Don't forget the power mains too.
We could discuss the benefits of using battery power.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:36:35 +0100
From: "Walter D Amos" <waltk8cv@surfree.com>
To: "Posts Qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82199] FOX- Bitch of it all
Message-ID: <004101c03f41\$0053f420\$a6891b26@waltamos>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well Boys and Girls:

You can't tell the fox what to do!

Ok, I'll say that again

You can't tell the fox what to do!

Any more than you can tell anyone else how to operate, the fox does what he / she wants to do.

Always been that way, always will be that way, so stop BITCHING !!

Walt Amos K8CV Royal Oak, MI k8cv@arrl.net

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:41:34 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <SUpton@ALLEGROMICRO.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82200] Re: Attic Antenna won't keep you from storm problems, and they work well, like an attic antenna!
Message-ID: <00d701c03f4a\$18530e40\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Very good point, but I would suspect that the induced voltage is going to be from a 'wave front' against the entire vehicle, not an antenna referenced to ground. While you probably do see some high voltage spikes, it probably wouldn't be near what you'd see on a 'base' setup. And remember, a mobile rig has to handle the 'normal' voltages built up by static from driving at up to 100mph in dry air conditions, with a large margin to spare just in the normal course of things.

And all this makes one more case FOR battery power. A rig on battery, with a dipole, and NO earth ground is probably much more 'safe' than a rig with a ground system... I'm not saying no ground, but if you ground at your antenna feed to say an external tuner, and you treat your radio as an 'extension' that's an 'isolated node', it probably would be much better off than if it were 'in series' so to speak with a strike. And that is something that's not practical to do with a 'mains powered' setup.

Mike

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> Shawn Upton
> Concord, NH

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:42:37 +0100
From: "Steve Sorrell" <ap036@detroit.freenet.org>
To: <waltk8cv@surfree.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82201] Re: FOX- Bitch of it all
Message-ID: <004501c03f41\$d812aaa0\$9bfa070a@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Amen, I say AMEN!!!! Chances are we are not going to work ALL Foxes! So the next fox you can try again! Then when you do work the fox, you can go into the family room where your dog/hound is laying in front of the fire place chewing on his/her nylabone and nerfing its fleas/ticks, you can say to it: " You flea bitten, tick infested, toilet drinking critter, while you were goofing off, I was doing your work for you!" =8>]
de Steve, W8SFF

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 06:51:13 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: WB9MII@aol.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82202] Re: 10M QRP DX
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010260647560.786-100000@cannac.ampr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Ten Meters is open now. It will close down in a couple of years and the game gets different. Work DXCC/QRP now while the sun shines...then move down to 20 meters where the alligators live...:-)

On Thu, 26 Oct 2000 WB9MII@aol.com wrote:

> Hello friends,
> Yesterday with my vintage TT Century 21 at 5W and an indoor Lil Wonder
> antenna near a window I worked C6A/KI6T and C08ZZ. Got the C6A/ on the
> first call and as I recall got the C08 on the 2nd. My Elmer (W9JMG -
> recently a silent key) told me we don't need a KW and pile of aluminum to
> work DX. It was true 27 yrs ago and true now. QRP is a blast.
> 72
> Greg WB9MII
> QRP ARCI 9719

>
>

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:10:35 -0400
From: George Murphy <VE3ERP@ENCODE.COM>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82203] Open Letter to All
Message-ID: <4.3.2.7.0.20001026084159.00aa4210@ENCODE.COM>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

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Someone was asking about my two penny paddle made from a clothes pin. Please see CQ magazine, May 1998, pages 28 and 29 - "The Tuppenny Paddle - Build an Iambic Paddle for Two Cents!".

-73- to all . . .

Murph VE3ERP

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 07:20:53 -0600 (CST)
From: Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>
To: Low Power Group <qrp-l@LeHigh.EDU>
Subject: [82204] Hey Murph Please Reconsider!! (fwd)
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.1001026071950.13530B-1000000@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

....please stay with us Murph..... ;-)

..72/73 - Bruce (VE5RC+VE5QRP) QRP-C#1 QRP-L#886 ARCI#9683 Zombie#272
A-1 Operator Club - 10/10# 944 - SOC #11 & #12 - Whiner#10 -
"QRP! How sweet it is!" oo#148 "I am da man wit "DAH" paddle!"

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:35:29 -0400
From: "John L. \"Jake\" Carter" <jakecart@ix.netcom.com>
To: NJ QRP Club <njqrp@njqrp.org>, QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>, NoVa QRP group
<NoVaQRP@topica.com>
Subject: [82205] J8/W2EN on 28.020.4 at 1330Z 10/26/00
Message-ID: <39F83320.5B3BE1A6@ix.netcom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Just worked J8/W2EN on 10m with 5 watts to the attic dipole. That makes
111 this year -- 81 confirmed.

Good Luck,

Jake -- N4UY
Vienna, VA
(Wash DC suburbs)

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:33:56 -0400
From: "William Boose" <n3wst@hydrosoft.net>
To: "John/W3HMS" <W3HMS@aol.com>, "Denny-K3NVI" <k3nvi@aol.com>, "Cameron C.R.
Bailey" <kt3a@juno.com>, <BobWicks@aol.com>, <Order_Services@amway.com>,
"ABN Online Ordering" <DCS_Tech_Support2@amway.com>, "Anne Worley"
<anne_worley@mail.cocalico.k12.pa.us>, <Barksar@aol.com>, <bm731@desupernet.net>,
Subject: [82206] New Address & Phone Numbers
Message-ID: <001201c03f51\$90fbdd20\$bee49ed1@williamboose>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Please note that as of today the following are our only address and phone
numbers. All other phone numbers are no longer in service. We will write
more to many of you later when things are settled down from moving.

Bill or Lois Boose
P.O. Box 927
717-538-1564
Ephrata, PA 17522

Phones Lois 717-538-1591
Bill

E-mail addresses will remain the same for now.

Bill &

Lois

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:19:08 -0400
From: Ken Newman <N2CQ@citnet.com>
To: epaqrp-l@lehigh.edu, QRP-L@lehigh.edu, njqrp@njqrp.org
Subject: [82207] CONTEST: QRP CONTEST Calenar - Oct 27/31
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20001026101908.0081f470@mail.citnet.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

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QRP CONTEST CALENDAR

October 27/31, 2000

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Zombie Shuffle (CW) *** QRP CONTEST ***

Oct 27 - 1800 Local to 2400 Local (Any 4 hour period)

Rules: <http://members.nbc.com/n0qt/zombie.htm>

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Ten-Ten International Net Fall QSO Party (CW) ... QRP Category

Oct 28 - 0000z to Oct 29 - 2400z

Rules: <http://listserv.lehigh.edu/lists/tenten-1/rules.html>

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CQ WW DX Contest (SSB) ... QRP Category

Oct 28 - 0000z to Oct 29 - 2400z

Rules: <http://cqww.com/2000rules.htm>

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QRP Foxhunt Season!

Foxhunt: Every Tuesday And Thursday  
Details: <http://www.cqc.org/fox>

Cub Foxhunt: Every Monday and Wednesday  
Details: <http://www.qsl.net/k5DI/fox/>

Fox appears: 9pm EST, 8PM CST, 7PM MST and 6PM PST.  
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72 de **** QRP Contest Calendar ****
Ken Newman - N2CQ <http://www.njqrp.org/data/contesting.html>
N2CQ@ARRL.NET <http://www.n3epa.org/Pages/Contest/contest.htm>
<http://www.qsl.net/cqrp/contests.html>

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:24:45 -0400
From: Arthur Laurent <ALaurent@npr.org>
To: "'qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU'" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82208] Yaesu FT-990 QRP?
Message-ID: <64ACCD0E0722D411AB6000400B40CE213D1258@npr-01-msg.npr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="windows-1252"

Does anyone remember where the Web site is that describes how to slide down
the lowest power of the FT-990 from 10W to 5W? (Or maybe lower...)

(I had it bookmarked, but that was before our IS guys "solved" some of our
computer problems at work by replacing all the hard drives...)

Thanks for any help!

Art

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:25:25 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <VE3ERP@ENCODE.COM>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [82209] Re: Open Letter to All
Message-ID: <012901c03f58\$fe518080\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well, glad to see more people stick around. We need the variety.
Otherwise
I may stand out too much!

Roll with the punches...

As to your article, some people may not have access to it. If it's
available on the web anywhere, you should give a pointer to it.

And... That brings up a point. If you write articles for publication,
how long after publication (or sale I suppose) before you can
then put it out on the web? Or don't most people look at that
in the contract?

Mike

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Paddle -
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> Murph VE3ERP
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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 07:27:17 -0700
From: "Bryan Lowe" <classics@classics.nu>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82210] index labs noise blanker?
Message-ID: <00e501c03f58\$da2c9280\$20cafdce@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have read all the reviews of the Index Plus QRP rig. I would love the new 817, or a K2.... but the Index Plus seems to sell on the used market for about half the price of those rigs. (with ssb options). My wallet can only afford that... and I want SSB capability and I want access to 30 meters on CW (so some of the older Ten Tec rigs are out).

I understand about the pumping, odd audio, and overload this rig can experience.... but I have seen no mention of Noise blanker. I seem to have a lot of electrical noise in my area. Could someone who owns, or owned the rig let me know about its abilities there?

Thank you.

Bryan
Seattle

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:31:48 -0400
From: "Joe Trombino" <w2kj@earthlink.net>
To: <QRP-L@LEHIGH.EDU>
Subject: [82211] WBL V22 the quest continues
Message-ID: <000e01c03f59\$79f962c0\$ce52fc9e@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Having placed ads in several of the Trader's pages for a WBL V22 paddle set and receiving no responses, I return to the magical source where all things are possible.

Anyone out there wanting to upgrade to a Hensley or N2DAN paddle and needing to sell their WBL V22 first??? I will gladly assist the upgrade by buying the WBL set:-)

A journey of a thousand miles begins with but a single step...the quest continues!!:-)

Joe W2KJ (North Carolina)

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 07:39:00 -0700
From: Bill Walker <windal@azstarnet.com>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82212] Re: Zombie Shuffle: KI6DS Operating times
Message-ID: <00102607434800.09682@denneb>
Content-Type: text/plain
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

Me and my SMK-1 will be on 7.0385-7.0393 from 0300-0700 UTC thats 8pm-12pm Tucson time.

On Tue, 24 Oct 2000, you wrote:

> Guys, my favorite contest will be on this Friday night. I will operate my
> NorCal 20 in the Zombie Shuffle as long as the band stays open. This one is
> a great fun contest which is what ham radio is all about. Don't forget to
> send Jan the logs so she can count you among the "Zombie Chosen". My plan
> is to operate starting at 6 PM local time, and will be on 20 meters to start
> and will stay there as long as the band holds. When 20 goes, I'll switch to
> good old 40 meters. Thanks to Paul Harden for thinking up this crazy fun
> thing, and to Jan Medley for doing the contest manager thing. How about the
> rest of you posting your operating times and plans so we can look for you.
> Thanks, Doug, KI6DS

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Bill Walker - KD7JZB
kd7jzb@qsl.net
Zombie #764
<http://www.qsl.net/kd7jzb>

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:45:40 -0400 (EDT)
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
To: QRP List <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82213] Time to dust this off: QRP-L Pie
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.4.21.0010261038390.16570-100000@saturn4.acs.oakland.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I guess it's time for this annual repost. I think this little ditty first appeared in QRP-L in 1996. So here you go:

PREFACE: QRP-L has its ups and downs every year. Summer is a pretty weak period for QRP activities and it seems that the signal to noise ratio on QRP-L gets tilted towards noise :-)

There have been several publicly written flame wars and just a lot of trash and the "problem" seems to be growing... to the point that the following quote made me wax lyrically.

BTW: this is not directed at any ONE individual either - we all (including me!) need a gentle reminder to all to keep QRP-L one of the friendliest places on the net.

Now with appologies to Don MacLean...

Q R P - L P I E
by: W8KC ex:wb8zjl

Prelude: Since your mind is set in concrete, I guess the discussion is over.
Don't bother to reply as you will be directed to dev/nul.

A long, long time ago,
I can still remember how
QRP-L used to make me smile.
And I knew if I had a chance
For at my postings, you should glance,
That maybe you'd be happy for a while.
But February made me shiver,
Those Fox Hunt reports made us quiver.
Hope you took them in stride
To dev null, they'd nev-er hide.
I can't remember if I cried
Over all those rotten limericks tried
But these emotions I can't hide,
The day QRP-L died.
So we are singing...

[Refrain]

Bye bye all you flamers bye bye!
All you net cops would you please drop
your subscription? My my!
You good ol' boys please just take leave (with your noise)
Singing "This'll be the day that I try..."
"This'll be the day that I try..."

(Verse 2) -up tempo-
Chuck didn't start this group

To give you a place to fling your poop.
If to whining you must stoop...
Now do you believe in QRP?
Or do you simply want to flame me?
And please, take off, your CAPS LOCK ke-y.
Well I know your flaming makes you proud
'Cause it really seems to draw a crowd.
You both have dropped your gloves
Try not to be hawks and be doves.
Whoooooooo!
I was a lonely teenage novice op
With a crystal rig missing its top
And a nasty chirp I could not stop
The day QRP-L died.
I started singing...
Refrain

(Verse 3)

And for two years we were on our own
With the T M P S (not on Phone)
A contest on thirty? No!
Some jokers' switching power supply thread
Once had the list group seeing red
And that, died down too, you know?
Oh, and once the last Fox Hunt was through
I did not mail the mugs out to
The hams that'd justly won
Finding boxes for them isn't fun.
And while some debate C W
The tech-lites population grew.
We ran the mode that we all knew
The day, QRP-L died.
We all were singing...
Refrain

(Verse 4)

Like Gump's feather we dropped the Dayton Weather
But resubscribed 'cause even it got better.
When they moved the date to Maaaaaaaaaay!
WHAM! Subscribers joined en-mass
As the word got out, "This list's a gas!"
And, "QRPers have a blast!"
Now bad habits are, like, etched in stone,
And USENET lowlives brought theirs to our home!
I thought, "Who invited them?"
This nastiness has a stem!
Oh, yeah, sometimes we'd had our fights
like, I'm against antennas up on kites!

But because that's dumb, doesn't make ME right,
The day QRP-L died.
We started singing...
Refrain

(Verse 5)

I've been here almost since day one
And goodness me it's sure been FUN
Though recently began to sour.
If you thought that I'd just sit by
And watch this list group slowly die,
You've got another thought to think.
We could do with a LOT less scandal
If you guys'd reached for the orange handle
On the morning coffee pot.
It's worth it, hey, take a shot!
So all SPAMMERS, Net Cops, Whiners too,
We really have no use for you.
Send to listserv at lehigh dot E D U
unsubscribe qrp-l
Then we'll be singing
Refrain

(Verse 6) -slowly-

A note read here was filled with hate
Because the QRPP was late
Shaking my head, I typed a "D."
Then tuned 'round seven dot oh four
Where I'd heard some weak ones once before
But found some spanish-speaking LSB.
In usenet groups the people SCREAM
But here we talk and joke and dream
Of sunspots long been missing
And Altoids for pre-kissing!
And the three rigs I admire most
Were not shipped from some foreign coast.
Homebrew one so you too can boast.
The day QRP-L died
Join me in singing...
Refrain 2x

73! =paul= wb8zjl

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:49:25 -0400
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
To: <glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-
l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82214] Re: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
Message-ID: <200010261449.KAA05029@atlnet.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

On 10/26/00 0:13, Glenn Maclean at glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com wrote:

>02:22 W6DU 599 CA RICH 100W

Is this right? I thought the Fox hunt rules indicated a QRP power level
had to be used.

It certainly would be a lot easier to bust the pileup with more power --
but that's not the point, is it?

(Looking at the rules for the Cub Fox Hunt, it doesn't explicitly say QRP
power levels (or less), but isn't that the point?)

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"
-- Wilbur Wright, 1901

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:02:09 -0400
From: "Joe Trombino" <w2kj@earthlink.net>
To: <QRP-L@LEHIGH.EDU>
Subject: [82215] WBL V22 the quest continues
Message-ID: <00c301c03f5d\$b7bb7cc0\$ce52fc9e@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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Howdy gang: Believe I have the word wrap now set properly
in my new email program. Am re-sending my previous post in
the hope that my word wrap problem is solved....I hope:

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:01:44 -0500
From: "Ed Manuel (N5EM)" <n5em@flash.net>
To: hqrp@stevens.com
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu;, AQRPE@groups.com
Subject: [82216] Meeting October 28!
Message-ID: <4.3.2.7.2.20001026095213.00b1ca90@pop.flash.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Gang,

Remember that this coming Saturday, October 28th is our HQRP to the field in the Fall meeting. What a name! We'll be setting up our portable stations in Memorial Park in the Picnic loop during our usual meeting time, 9am - 11am. Talk in on 146.700 repeater if you need some directions.

George and I are just back from Pacificon on the West Coast. Lots of fun there! We'll share some exciting stuff that's happening and tell you about the latest projects that are in development.

Also, we need to plot our course for the next year in HQRP. Time to come out of the summer doldrums and get going again. One suggestion has been a club building project. Let's talk about that. What do YOU want to do? What do YOU want to build? What do YOU think would be a good project for the club as a whole to do together? Want to do a regen receiver? A Tuna Tin 2? A more challenging manhattan construction project? PSK31?

Time to speak up and be heard.

See you in the park - bring the family and maybe even some dogs to grill after the meeting. As always, if you are in town you are welcome! We always love to have visitors to our meetings. Memorial Park is located on

just north of the Galleria area, East of the 610 loop at the Memorial Exit. If you need more specific directions, just drop me a note and I'll forward you a map - or get on the 146.700 (-) 2 meter repeater and we'll talk you in. Bring your portable station and show it off!

Ed, N5EM

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:06:01 -0700 (PDT)
From: ABCQRP <w6abc@yahoo.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [82217] K1 band module bags (keep 'em for holding AA batteries)
Message-ID: <20001026150601.14586.qmail@web2104.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

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73/72,

Jack W6ABC

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:12:54 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: "Ed Manuel (N5EM)" <n5em@flash.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82218] Re: Meeting October 28!
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010260911220.1087-100000@cannac.ampr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Hey Ed, I sure want to make the Meeting. What State and what City is it being held in?

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Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:11:06 -0500
From: "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>
To: aa4lr@arrl.net, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82219] Re: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
Message-ID: <3.0.2.32.20001026101106.006b3534@mail.globeco.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

I'd be more inclined to believe it was meant to be 100 mW.

>
>>02:22 W6DU 599 CA RICH 100W
>
>Is this right?

But it could have been a passer-by just joining in on the fun and caught the fox.

Chuck Carpenter, EM22cv, Point, Rains County, Texas

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:10:53 -0700
From: Brian Kassel <bkassel@dancris.com>
To: QRP-L <QRP-L@lehigh.edu>, azqrp <azqrp@extremezone.com>
Subject: [82220] FOX: K2QO Report for 10/25 Hunt
Message-ID: <39F8497D.7E8A7790@dancris.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Folks:

Here are 3 suggestions that Fox's may want to consider when operating:

- 1.) Foxes: PLEASE use the RIT and work stations off of your frequency. Maybe post a line or 2 in their pre Fox posts explaining that stations off frequency (above OR below) will be answered first, if/when things get slow, stations on frequency will be worked. There are VERY few rigs out there without some form of RIT,
- 2.) As other have mentioned, please send the other stations call sign at the end. This makes a big difference in the order of things.
- 3.) Hunters should check their TX offsets. I notice in all QRP contests that some people come back to a CQ way off frequency, sometimes as much as over 1 Khz. If the station calling CQ has any sort of tight filtering, and most do, you will never be heard, no matter how big a signal you may have worked hard to produce. I would suspect that the single band rigs might be more prone to this than commercial ones. Also, in the vein, please make sure that your RIT is set up properly, and is really off when you think it is. That is, if it has a center off detent, make sure that it is REALLY off.

If folks would adhere to these points, IF they apply, IMHO everyone will be able to get along much more efficiently, Foxes AND Hunters.

Lastly, may I suggest that we all try to realize just how tough it is in Fox "hot seat". The Foxes are probably learning how to work in pileups just as the Hunters are. It's a lot tougher than it looks ;)

Just a few points for all to ponder...

Brian K7RE

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:16:02 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82221] Re: Cub Fox Hunt #2 October 25 Preliminary Log
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010260913400.1087-100000@cannac.ampr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Bill this is the Cub Fox Hunt. We can expect and hope to catch some new guys who don't understand QRP yet. It is legal to run 100 watts. I do so from time-to-time for nets and stuff.

On Thu, 26 Oct 2000, Bill Coleman wrote:

> On 10/26/00 0:13, Glenn Maclean at glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com wrote:
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> >02:22 W6DU 599 CA RICH 100W
>
> Is this right? I thought the Fox hunt rules indicated a QRP power level
> had to be used.

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:15:30 -0700
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: w6abc@yahoo.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82222] Re: K1 band module bags (keep 'em for holding AA batteries)
Message-ID: <39F84A92.FF4883FD@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Thanks for the tip, Jack.

Phil W7OX

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:17:33 -0700
From: "Davies, Doug A FOR:EX" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>
To: "'qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU'" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82223] RE: The fun is gone, and so am I
Message-ID: <60F1FEB31CA3D211A1B60008C7A45F430998004E@blaze.bcsc.GOV.BC.CA>
Content-return: allowed
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

If it weren't for the occasional post talking about a new project or kit,
I'd be gone as well. I think the testers should form their own list.
Hell, one would think you can't work QRP unless you enter some contest.
What ever happened to the spontaneity of just turning on the rig and looking
for a QSO? Novel idea isn't it?!?

Doug VA7DD

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:44:54 -0400 (EDT)
From: Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: "Davies, Doug A FOR:EX" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82224] RE: The fun is gone, and so am I
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.4.05L.10010261140420.15875-100000@vh1.min.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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Sure is....I spent a LOT of time this morning on 30 meters...LOTS of folks
chasing DX, LOTS of them qsyng right on top of where I was calling
cq...LOTS of them apparently not listening to their transmit frequency
since they didn't respond to my QRL?.

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:39:24 -0500
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris_k@crane.navy.mil>
To: "'qrp-l@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82226] Re: The fun is gone
Message-ID:
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8C76@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Thom,

They used to have a word for that. What was it? Oh yes, I think they called it "Courtesy". I wonder whatever happened to that.

72 de N9KH

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 08:46:14 -0700 (PDT)
From: Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
To: qrp qrp <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82227] Re: psk31 and qrp plus
Message-ID: <20001026154614.62789.qmail@web10008.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

> > I know this has been asked but I never saw an answer so I'm going
> to ask
> > it.. Can one hook up a qrp plus to run psk31 and if so how does one
> do it?

Another thing to watch out for is the QRP Plus has a 50hz offset between the transmit and receive. Whoever comes back to you will be 50hz away so to overcome this put the Plus in Split and move the dial until you lock onto his transmit. It will work fine.

Jeff

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Jeff Jones
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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:50:19 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <fantbb@yahoo.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82228] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
Message-ID: <019201c03f64\$76a24780\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:58:31 -0600
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, <elecraft@qth.net>, "Flying Pigs" <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>
Subject: [82229] Re: The "New World Order" at ARS N0RC (longish)
Message-ID: <OE17KZmcK8r6beUzmRf0000003e9@hotmail.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

Many Thanks to all of you who replied, too many to thanks individually.

I got an overwhelming amount of really useful information, that I will share with others, please give me a few weeks to organize it all. Most likely I'll do a simple web page and post pointers here, and a direct

mailing of web page updates to those who asked to be kept up to date.

Here is how I am approaching this thing.

1) THE DISCOVERY PROCESS -- what I am doing now --

Define my goal in general terms then "immerse" myself in information. A free form activity with no time limits, just to understand the breadth and depth of what's being done, who's doing it...Who, What, When, Why, How...that sort of thing.

My general goal at this time is to be able to supply 5-10 Amps at 13-14 volts for about 4-8 hours. The time spent on a good CW sprint or QSO party. ;-) The 10Amp requirement comes from a desire to power my FT-1500A (2m Mobile/Base rig) and full power (50W) for short intervals, IF IT'S NOT TOO EXPENSIVE!

Posting to QRP-L was a big part of the discovery process, As is surfing the Web. Go to www.google.com type in "Solar Power" as your search criteria. You will get back 100's maybe a 1000 links, I didn't count them all.

Here are some links I got from the QRP-L gang, that are proving useful so far

<http://www.solarelectricinc.com/>
<http://www.seslogic.com/>
<http://www.homepower.com/>
<http://www.azsolar.com/AZSOLAR/>
<http://www.windsun.com/navigation.htm>

Also check out the ARRL TIS pages, there have been several articles in QST, the most recent being April 1996. "Solar Power for Your Ham Station It s Easier than You Think", By David C. Casler, KE 0G.

2) THE INVESTIGATION PROCESS

The discovery process yields a refined goal, and of "bibliography" of data sources to use. The investigation process will break the problem/system down into small parts and using the bibliography I'll study each part and design my system spec.

>From what I've read so far I know I need:

DETAILED OPERATIONAL SPEC.

What am I going to run and for how long do I want to run it.

SOLAR PANEL

There are many types, sizes, costs. warranties....you name it. One design criteria I have to worry about is hail damage. We get some nasty hail storms here along the front range.

CHARGE CONTROLLER

Again many to choose from

BATTERIES

Gel Cell, Lead Acid, other...??? TBD

COST GOALS

3) DESIGN

TBD

4) BUILD

TBD

5) TEST

TBD

That's it for now. Sorry for the longish post, I'll move this info to a web page and post only pointers in the future.

73, Rod NØRC
Ft Collins CO

----- Original Message -----

From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2000 11:47 PM
Subject: The "New World Order" at ARS N0RC

> Folks
>
> The HF portion ARS N0RC is about to enter a new era--Homebuilt and
Solar
> Powered! (HF is 98-99% of my ham activity)
>
..
> The unique aspect of this "Station for a New Millennium"--it will
> eventually be powered by batteries charged from a solar panel.
>

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:08:14 -0500
From: "Ed Manuel (N5EM)" <n5em@flash.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82230] Re: Meeting October 28!
Message-ID: <4.3.2.7.2.20001026110728.00b8a930@pop.flash.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

At 09:12 AM 10/26/00 -0600, you wrote:

>Hey Ed, I sure want to make the Meeting. What State and what City is it
>being held in?

Sorry folks. That's H - for HOUSTON, Tx - QRP Club. Apologies to all.

Ed, N5EM

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:22:05 -0700
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82231] Zombie Shuffle Friday Night
Message-ID: <01c03f68\$e1727fe0\$330b0d0a@dhendricks>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Guys, Zombie Shuffle tomorrow night. Don't forget to operate and don't

forget to send in your logs to Jan so she can count you among the Zombies.
Plus you will score higher than ever before in your life. See you in the
Boo Test. 72, Doug

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:28:44 -0400
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82232] RE: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
Message-ID: <125490A005E3D3118C9C00805FC743CC015E0999@kahless.arrl.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

I agree that the list as is seems to work out pretty well. I don't think
the moderation has been excessive. If anything, there are certainly a lot
more OT posts than I care to see. It seems that the original idea as
proposed calls for more control, not less. I sure would hate to see NO
control -- just look at rec.radio.amateur.xxx to see the result.

73, Ed Hare, W1RFI

-----Original Message-----
From: Mike Yetzko [mailto:myetzko@insydesw.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2000 11:50 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:42:19 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: QRP-L List <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82233] FOX Cub frequency search
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010261029570.1188-1000000@cannac.ampr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

The QRP-L 40M Cub Fox Hunt has rules that say the fox should operate inside the Novice sub band. The problem with this is this band is also shared with 250,000 Watt Voice of America and other broadcasters. The 5 watt Fox gets lost in the noise...:-)

I talked to yesterdays Fox and Glenn said he didn't hear a thing from VOA. This is because he is far enough away from the station to hear nothing. But Hounds a thousand miles East heard it fine. VOA was broadcasting news in English on 7115 KHz.

We need a bunch of guys to listen on the novice band about 8pm local time and send me any frequency(s) you find clear of broadcast QRM. We already know 7115 is a BAD choice.

When you get the survey done send it with your QTH to: k5di@arrl.net and I will make a big map and put it back on the list. This is needed so the Fox can find a frequency that's free of broadcast QRM so the whole country can hear him.

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:40:57 EDT
From: Drbob92031@aol.com
To: leinwebe@mcmail.cis.mcmaster.ca
Cc: QRP-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82234] Re: Lightning & Static overvoltage
Message-ID: <32.bd885b8.2729b899@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Glen et all;

I was discussing using a kite as an antenna a while back(yrs) and the consensus of opinion that voltage build-up on an antenna can be very destructive.

The solution was to use a 10K resistor to gnd and if you want to visualize the discharge you can out a small flash light bulb in series with the 10 K and watch it flicker.

72/73 de WA2EAW..BOB

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:45:10 -0400
From: John AE5X <ae5x@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82235] What is an LMB-139?
Message-ID: <20001026.124511.4734.0.ae5x@juno.com>

Hello all,

In anticipation of the arrival of my Warbler kit, I downloaded the assembly instructions from NJ-QRP's web site. Page 8 of manual says that the circuit board fits perfectly into an LMB-139 enclosure. Is that a part number from TenTec or.....? I'm not familiar with that nomenclature.

I'd like to go ahead and get an enclosure while waiting for the kit to arrive. If anyone's using anything else as an enclosure please let the list know what you've found that fits.

Thanks and 72,

John Harper AE5X
HW-9, OHR-100A/20, NC40A, SST30, SST40, DSW20
Outdoor QRP: <http://home.att.net/~j..harper>

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:50:07 -0500
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: fantbb@yahoo.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82236] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
Message-ID: <39F860BF.B79B61B4@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Jeff, it is tempting to think and say that "moderation" is the cure for all list ills. Sounds good when you say it fast . . .

But, the truth is that it soon becomes the "moderator's list" and a great deal of personal freedom is exchanged for the doubtful privilege

of having less noise (to you) to wade through. We have already seen the loss of significant and valuable subscribers to the list since we acquired a "manager."

You have several options if the present QRP-L is offensive to you:

1. Leave the list
2. Subscribe to the digest to cut down on the number of emails that you receive
3. Read the archives on the web site and ignore the list altogether
4. Fire up your Kill File skills to remove the topics that offend you

We have been through this business repeatedly over the past few years and I expect that we will again. A list this large cannot be all things to all people. You are going to see posting after posting that is either of no interest to you or that offends your sensibilities in some manner. All I can recommend is that you learn to deal with it, as you are not likely to change the attitudes and actions of probably 3000 subscribers (I don't know the number, but Cla has mentioned that one).

Jeff, this is not written as a "flame" because I do not flame good people for expressing their opinions. But, it is written to offer the viewpoint that "more government" is not always the answer to individual problems.

Don't give up on us - we are really a pretty nice bunch of guys and gals who share a common love for the QRP hobby.

72/73, George W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas NETXQRP 6

Fairview, TX 30 mi NE Dallas in Collin county QRP-L 1373
Amateur Radio W5YR, in the 55th year and it just keeps getting better!
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Jeff wrote:

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> Maybe it is time for a new QRP-L moderated list. It would cut down the
> noise quite a bit and keep it focused on QRP. We would need a moderator
> that wasn't a control freak. Maybe we could take volunteers and vote on
> the one we want? Any volunteers without a life want to take it on? If
> no one volunteers I could take it on but it would slow it down quite a
> bit as I have to wait to get home to do anything.

>

> If you don't agree with me and want to flame me via email don't bother.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:57:12 -0500
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82237] Anyone with experience with the Sears brick battery charger?
Message-ID: <003d01c03f6d\$c908b4b0\$5ac07481@rohredt2000>

Both Wal Mart and Sears have sold for some years, an almost hexagon shaped brick charger for lead acid or gel cell batteries. It is the type to mount on the car firewall, and has a short AC cord you plug into an extension cord to keep a car battery topped off in winter, etc.

These are totally automatic with a tapered charge, and Electrosorce Battery Co. of San Marcos, TX has found them superior for keeping up their electric car recombinant cell technology sealed batteries.

The Austin Area hams got some overstock of these electric car batteries and use them for complete station emergency power.

The \$25 charger was all you needed to bring these batteries to full charge, and keep them. There was a pilot light for "ON" and in later models the light changed from red to green to show charging complete.

Now, my question is, has anyone had one of these that has failed, and shows no output on the red black charging leads? Nothing let the smoke out, from my inspection of the board. I think the high temperature at my outdoor battery charging location on the patio got to the circuit last summer. It is a fairly sophisticated circuit, and I have not been able to find the failed component yet. I "think" the transformer is OK, but there appears to be a feedback type of circuit to maybe shut this off if something fails downstream. If anyone has experience with similar battery chargers that shut off automatically, I would be grateful for any hints on how to half split the troubleshooting to speed repair.

Thanks and 73,
Stuart K5KVH

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 16:53:25 +0100
From: "Steve Sorrell" <ap036@detroit.freenet.org>
To: <fantbb@yahoo.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82238] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
Message-ID: <002901c03f64\$e2fa2e20\$8afa070a@default>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thats exactly why YOU should do it Jeff!
de Steve, W8SFF

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:58:54 -0500
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: w1rfi@arrl.org
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82239] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
Message-ID: <39F862CE.723756@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ed, I think that the whole problem with this list and any other list or newsgroup can be over-simplified and boiled down to one issue: OT

What is OT to one person is exactly what another wants/needs to read about. With 3000 folks on here, there is unlikely to be anything that even 10% would agree on as a clearly defined OT subject.

The one exception that I can think of is complaining about the list and the postings! <:}

But, as long as this is a vehicle for quasi-free expression (we still have a "manager"), there are going to be postings that are OT to some/many and "right on" to some/many.

Attempts to regulate with the heavy hand of a "moderator" are far worse in their ultimate effect than any number of OT postings. Even the subtle pressures we are subject to now has resulted in the loss of several highly respected and valuable members of this list.

So, let's all just suck it up and deal with things day by day. After all this is a hobby, folks, and not national defense. My DEL key has not worn out in several years now, and I have learned far more from reading OT postings than I would have from reading the "in" stuff exclusively.

72/73, George W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas NETXQRP 6

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"Hare,Ed, W1RFI" wrote:

>

> I agree that the list as is seems to work out pretty well. I don't think
> the moderation has been excessive. If anything, there are certainly a lot
> more OT posts than I care to see. It seems that the original idea as
> proposed calls for more control, not less. I sure would hate to see NO
> control -- just look at rec.radio.amateur.xxx to see the result.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:10:57 -0500
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: k5di@zianet.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82240] Re: FOX Cub frequency search
Message-ID: <39F865A1.D2DE132C@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Actually, Karl, I thought that Glenn had done a pretty smart thing by getting in the "shadow" of the 7114 SWBC station. Sure made him tough to find!

I found him after your kind posting - he was so weak that I was barely able to tell he was there even after using your frequency info - and was surprised that he was just far enough away from the carrier heterodyne on 7115 to be in the clear with the usual wide 800 Hz CW filter. I used 500 Hz and 250 Hz filters on him later on and had not a sniff of the SWBC station.

I agree with you, though, that the Novice band - is there still a Novice Band? <:} - is a tough place to operate a QRP activity. I found that here in North Central Texas that the area around 7112 to 7114 was pretty clear most of the time.

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"Karl F. Larsen" wrote:

>
> The QRP-L 40M Cub Fox Hunt has rules that say the fox should
> operate inside the Novice sub band. The problem with this is this band is
> also shared with 250,000 Watt Voice of America and other broadcasters. The
> 5 watt Fox gets lost in the noise...:-)
>
> I talked to yesterdays Fox and Glenn said he didn't hear a thing
> from VOA. This is because he is far enough away from the station to hear
> nothing. But Hounds a thousand miles East heard it fine. VOA was
> broadcasting news in English on 7115 KHz.
>
> We need a bunch of guys to listen on the novice band about 8pm
> local time and send me any frequency(s) you find clear of broadcast QRM.
> We already know 7115 is a BAD choice.
>
> When you get the survey done send it with your QTH to:
> k5di@arrl.net and I will make a big map and put it back on the list. This
> is needed so the Fox can find a frequency that's free of broadcast QRM so
> the whole country can hear him.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:14:01 -0700
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82241] QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <01c03f70\$22943840\$330b0d0a@dhendricks>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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Guys, I have an appeal to you. There are two points that I want to cover. The first is language. Last weekend at Pacificon, I had the pleasure of congratulating Amanda Parker on passing her General test. She likes qrp, and I encouraged her to read qrp-l for all of the latest information. But the past couple of days have made me question my decision. Guys, there is a no profanity rule on this reflector. Lately I have noticed more and more daXX and heXX being used in posts. Now I see bitXX being used. I had the same problem on my basketball team with my players. It started with dxxx and hxxx and then it got worse. The only way that I was able to stop it was by banning ALL swear words. If you swear in my practice, the first time you run, the second you leave. It stopped. May I please ask that all posters stop using ALL profanity on this list. We have young people reading it, and it is not necessary. There are many, many other adjectives that can be used. Please cooperate with this. I have seen a trend start to develop and we need to get control of it before it gets out of hand. Thank you.

The second point has to do with the title of this message. I see QRP-L as an electronic journal that comes out daily. It has feature stories, headlines, latebreaking news, weather reports, solar activity reports, new product information, advertisements, want ads, sports reports (contesting, grin), etc. I buy a news paper every day. I don't read every page, nor do I tell the publisher to print only what I want to read. That is impossible, and so is expecting that everything on qrp-l is going to be what you are interested in. There are over 3000 members of this reflector, and everyone has a different opinion of what is interesting. But the unique thing about this reflector is that it is the place to go for all of the uptodate news in QRP. There is no other source of better qrp information than this list. Period. Several have called for breaking off the fox reports, the contests, etc. into separate lists. I don't want that to happen, because then qrp-l is diluted, and it is not the place to go for ALL of the qrp info. When this list was started there were several attempts to break off subjects into separate lists. They were resisted for a long time. But in the past year or so, we have seen an Elecraft list, a QRP-F list, and a Cub list. They have seriously diluted the content of this list. I don't see the need for separate lists, and wonder why they were formed other than to give the moderators control of the subject. What is wrong with posting it to qrp-l where it is open and free for discussion? In my opinion, qrp would be very much improved if there were no separate lists for Elecraft, QRP-F, or Cub. Why? Because we would all have the opportunity to choose whether or not to read and share all qrp information right here, like it used to be. Think about it, if those lists were shut down, all of the info would come here.

There will be those who will say that they have the right to have a list, etc. I agree. But I would love to see the list return to the way it was in the beginning. Everything on one list, clearly subject lines, and everyone have the opportunity to share. My favorite thing about qrp-l is that no club or group is in charge. NorCal does not run this list, NJQRP does not run this list, the Fox hunters don't run this list, nor does any other group. This list is dynamic, it is like an organism, constantly changing and evolving. It is its own entity, as it should be. That is the appeal.

Learn to use the delete key, read and contribute, and have fun with your hobby. I try to follow 3 simple rules when I post to qrp-l. No Profanity, No Vicious attacks on other qrpers or groups, and the post must be related to qrp. Pretty simple isn't it guys?

The above was my opinion, it is not necessarily right or wrong, but it is my opinion. All that I ask is that you respect my right to have one.

72, Doug, KI6DS

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:14:59 -0400
From: Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>
To: qrp-l <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82242] Walking antenna pics online
Message-ID: <39F86693.243D785E@venus.uwaterloo.ca>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Joe

Ps I am on the trail with the infernal device this evening 10.106 Mc
5:00 to 6:30 ET

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:07:13 -0500
From: "Manager QRP-L" <manager@astro.cc.lehigh.edu>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82243] It's the Time of the Season!
Message-ID: <024901c03f70\$151a3520\$0200000a@mcg.net>

There are three sections to this posting. General, Tis the Season, Help needed.

GENERAL

First I think we all need to take a chill pill. As a poster to QRP-L you have a responsibility to keep your posts friendly and helpful. If your post reeks of complaint, maybe you should take it elsewhere. Also, remember the forum you are writing too. Are you preaching to the choir? Why waste the time? Keep it civil and ALWAYS watch the language, this is a family forum. There's been some real border line words lately.

Here's list of check questions that should help to evaluate your post to QRP-L. These won't help if you don't ask them before you hit the send button.

Is my post-

1. - an appropriate subject to post to QRP-L?
2. - subject line descriptive of the content?
3. - friendly and helpful?
4. - non offensive and free of off color language?
5. - adding substance to the discussion and not just another "Me Too"?
6. - reply quoting edited to the minimum needed? (Everybody needs to do this!)
7. - in need of a subject line prefix?

If you can answer YES to all of these check questions, you've got a good message to post to QRP-L. If not it needs more work.

TIS THE SEASON

Every year about this time QRP-L goes a little contest nuts. Nothing new here, always been that way. The Fox Hunt starts and people think of changes they'd like to see. SS comes around and logging program questions abound. The Zombie's walk and so it goes. The point is well taken that contesting is only a part of QRP and this list, but it tis' the season.

Shortly after the Holidays the list will be filled with posts about building rigs and the problems with them. Come late January it's FYBO to the forefront. Anywhere along the line will be a bunch of posts about the latest kit out. Very soon will be "Warbler Week".

Once or twice a year are calls to fully moderate the list and or break it up. Every so often someone gets disgusted with the list or some thread and writes about leaving. Why I don't know. If you don't like it leave. If you have a suggestion let me know, but don't start a thread about it, that just adds noise to the ratio.

So what to do? Well for one thing, we're not splitting the list up. The problem with splitting the list is the inevitable cross posting to the different sublists resulting in multiple messages. The best solution is to use the subject prefixes and learn to use your filters in your email program and tailor the list to your needs.

I think it's time we added "Contest-" to the required list of prefixes reprinted below. This will give those that are not testers an easy way to avoid these messages. Here's the list of prefixes.

FOX- Any post about Fox hunting

OT- Posts that ask for assistance in non radio related subjects (always ask for private replies)

FS- For Sale, trade, etc. This is a big help to your effort to sale something as many filter to look for these.

CONTEST- All contest related post other than FOX-.

Other prefixes such as ANT- HB- PROP- etc. are very helpful to the list but are optional. If you are starting a new "project" or "class" on QRP-L please pick a subject line prefix and announce it and it's use in the first post if possible. This has worked great in the past for the Elmer series and 2n2222 subjects. Please note to use a hyphen(-) instead of the colon (:).

HELP NEEDED

Email Filters. I use them extensively. I filter QRP-L into about a half dozen folders. This was especially helpful to gather posts I was interested in like Elmer 101, 11-2-10, 1V etc. It's come to my attention that most on this list really don't know how to use the filters in there email program.

Lately it seems there's been a lot of energy available to complain. I wonder if some of that energy could be used to help out and give a little back to QRP-L and make it better instead? We need to put up on the web page an article about using filters and folders in the more common email programs. We need some volunteers to take on this task. Please email me if you can help and what email program you can write filter instructions for.

Thanks for reading this and as always if you have comments or suggestions send them to me in private replies. Please don't add to the list.

73 de Cla KA0GKC Manager QRP-L

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:20:17 -0700
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: ki6ds@dph.dpol.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82244] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <39F867D1.8E5C5F37@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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> I tell the publisher to print only what I want to read.

I agree with this and the rest 100%, Doug.

Phil W7OX

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:20:53 -0400
From: "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@att.net>
To: <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82245] RE: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <CKEGICNFDIMCEKEDCEHFIEALEIAA.n4xy@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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Hear-Hear Doug!!!

73 Ed Tanton N4XY <n4xy@arrl.net>

website: <http://www.n4xy.com>

LM: ARRL QCWA AMSAT & INDEXA;
SEDXC NCDXA QRP-ARCI NoGaQRP
OK-QRP QRP-L #758 K2 (FT) #00057

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:25:08 -0700
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82246] Re: Walking antenna pics online
Message-ID: <39F868F4.46B3FB8D@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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> 5:00 to 6:30 ET

Pretty impressive web site, Joe. You really wander around in public
with that rig? I'd stay away from any border checkpoints :-)

Phil W70X

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:38:46 -0400
From: tbowman@nbn.net
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82247] Re: Zombie Shuffle Friday Night
Message-ID: <003c04638171aa0NBN2@nbn2.nbn.net>

What is the URL for rules?

On Thu, 26 Oct 2000 09:22:05 ki6ds@dph.dpol.net wrote:
>Guys, Zombie Shuffle tomorrow night. Don't forget to operate and don't
>forget to send in your logs to Jan so she can count you among the
Zombies.
>Plus you will score higher than ever before in your life. See you in the
>Boo Test. 72, Doug
>

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:38:05 -0700 (PDT)
From: Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
To: qrp qrp <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82248] Re: Is it time for a new moderated QRP-L list?
Message-ID: <20001026173805.11671.qmail@web10001.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

--- "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net> wrote:

>

> You have several options if the present QRP-L is offensive to you:

It is not at all. I like QRP-L just like it is. It does bother me when others take shots at it. I learn a lot here and really enjoy it. Just proposing a option for others to consider.

> Jeff, this is not written as a "flame" because I do not flame good

I did not take it as a flame at all.

> who share a common love for the QRP hobby.

As I do also.

73 all!

Jeff

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Jeff Jones

AB6MB

NorCal QRP Club #65, QRP-L #1780, ARCI 10071

Radical FIST Member 6798

Love to play wargames!

ICQ 62450117

Do You Yahoo!?

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 10:54:50 -0400

From: Bob Kellogg <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>

To: k2qo@hotmail.com

Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [82249] Re: FOX - K2QO Report for 10/25 Hunt

Message-ID: <39F845BA.80EA43E@nr.infi.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Mark,

You did a great job as a Fox! Thanks very much for the fine effort.

Please don't be dismayed by the posts critical of your operating procedure. After all, *you* were the Fox! It was our job to bag you.

Part of the fun of the Fox hunts is that it is a constant challenge and learning experience for all of us. The nature of the Fox hunts has changed considerably over the years. I remember once bagging a Fox who was calling CQ FOX and getting no takers (!!). He was so weak that I couldn't hear the tone of his signal, but copied the slight change in the noise level when he transmitted. His signal was actually a series of slight breaks in the noise. He was *not* operating split!

In those days, the challenge was finding and copying the weak signal. Now, the challenge is breaking the DX-like pile-up!

The Hounds were terribly unruly, but I got a big charge when I realized that I was not always hearing both sides Hounds of the exchange. A big light bulb went off inside my head, and I thought, "Maybe he's working split." Sure enough, when I tuned up about a KHz, I could hear a Hound reply. On my next call, you came back to me!

(Hee

Hee!) What great fun!

--

73,

Bob Kellogg, AE4IC, Greensboro, NC

Prolobly, not nececelery. - Benny Hill

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:38:41 -0400

From: Sam Billingsley <SBillingsley@usaninc.com>

To: "Qrp1_Submit (E-mail)" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [82250] Reading the qrp-1 list reminds me of "Dumpster Diving"

Message-ID: <5BA8CAA8579DD411870900508BAD74F504121F@MAILSERVER1>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain

I don't know if the term dumpster diving means anything to you but I can definitely equate it to scanning through the daily list. As I pick through the "stuff" I am attracted to certain things that are of interest to me. I think deep down all hams have a DNA gene that forces them to look at the world and store away the found acorns for later use. I have stuff that I picked up years (> 20 years) ago that I eventually used in a ham project. The old subconscious is working all the time in an effort to help you

through the seeming random path of life. for example I'll bet you look at containers at the grocery store and all the trees at you friends house and think about how you could get a dipole of G5RV up if you lived there.

As for the qrp-l list I have moved from digest, to real-time and back to digest mode over the years depending on my work load. Currently I'm in digest mode but if I have a minute I check the on-line archives for near real-time stuff.

Almost every digest I find at least one pearl that keeps me looking. In my comments and questions to the list in the past I have always had a wide variety of replies. Most on the mark and of course a few not so close.

BTW I do the same review technique with the qrp-f list too since some folks use one but not the other. Both are great and I find it difficult to think of not reading them on a daily basis.

The signal to noise ratio (relative to the eye of the reader) will always improve if those seriously interested in some special aspect of this wonderful hobby just take the time to submit interesting stuff whether it's experiences, question or comments to others.

The one thing I've noticed that I can't explain is that the NORCAL bunch (except for Doug) has been very quiet this last year. I know we all get burned out from time to time but what's up?

Sam Billingsley AE4GX Atlanta, GA
personal web page at <http://ae4gx.home.mindspring.com/>
North Georgia QRP Club web page at <http://www.qsl.net/nogaqrp/>

NORCAL	2210	MI-QRP	1567	QRP-L	1033	ARCI	9356	AKQRP	308
GQRP	9660	ARS	269	NOGA		CQC	454	FISTS	5306
ZOMBIE	273								

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:52:04 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82251] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <032701c03f75\$79766660\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>
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Doug,

I think this is one of the best analogies to come out so far!

Mike

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:50:04 -0600 (CST)
From: "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca" <buydens@duke.usask.ca>
To: Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82252] Re: Walking antenna pics online
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.4.20.0010261148230.26097-100000@duke.usask.ca>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Joe:

I like the look of that antenna. Question: do you have to worry about
overhead power lines? It just sort of reminds me of moving grain augers
around.

Brian.

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Brian Buydens
Veterinary Electronic Data Specialist
Computing Services, University of Saskatchewan
email: Brian.Buydens@usask.ca
<http://duke.usask.ca/~buydens>
VE5RDV

Did you hear about the two antennas that got married? The wedding was a
disaster but the reception was great!

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:49:54 -0600
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
To: <tbowman@nbn.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82253] Re: Zombie Shuffle Friday Night
Message-ID: <0E234HIv6EybfAaj81E0000053f@hotmail.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----
From: <tbowman@nbn.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2000 11:38 AM
Subject: Re: Zombie Shuffle Friday Night

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> What is the URL for rules?

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>

<http://members.nbci.com/n0qt/zombie.htm>

73, Rod N0RC
Ft Collins CO

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:58:21 -0500
From: "Manager QRP-L" <manager@astro.cc.lehigh.edu>
To: <manager@astro.cc.lehigh.edu>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82254] Re: It's the Time of the Season! (Correction)
Message-ID: <029b01c03f76\$62041760\$0200000a@mcg.net>

Got to make a correction to number 7 on this list sorry.

| Here's list of check questions that should help to evaluate your post to
| QRP-L. These won't help if you don't ask them before you hit the send
| button.

|
| Is my post-
| 1. - an appropriate subject to post to QRP-L?
| 2. - subject line descriptive of the content?
| 3. - friendly and helpful?
| 4. - non offensive and free of off color language?
| 5. - adding substance to the discussion and not just another "Me Too"?
| 6. - reply quoting edited to the minimum needed? (Everybody needs to do
| this!)
| 7. - if in need of a subject line prefix is it there? <<<<< (Corrected
| this for yes answer.)

|
| If you can answer YES to all of these check questions, you've got a good
| message to post to QRP-L. If not is needs more work.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:01:09 -0700 (PDT)
From: Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
To: qrp qrp <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82255] Is it time to vote on a new Moderated List?

Message-ID: <20001026180109.16395.qmail@web10001.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Just kidding folks. I was told by the list manager not to make any more posts like this. Guess I wasn't listening. ;-)

Jeff

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Jeff Jones
AB6MB
NorCal QRP Club #65, QRP-L #1780, ARCI 10071
Radical FIST Member 6798
Love to play wargames!
ICQ 62450117

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:10:16 -0600 (CST)
From: "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca" <buydens@duke.usask.ca>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82256] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.4.20.0010261154320.26097-100000@duke.usask.ca>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I too agree with Doug and Mike but would like to take the analogy a step further. Not only do we read this journal, we also get to publish in it. This means that the journal is what WE make it to be. We can have a good list, or a bad one. It's our choice.

Also, as a journal we can't determine who will be reading our posts. If I post something that I regret later it could be ready by anyone... potential employers, friends, etc. I think if we have the perspective of not saying on the list anything we would not be willing to say into a microphone in a crowded room many of the problems of flames and offensive language would clear up.

Lastly, I would like to say that ham radio is supposed to be FUN. Why have a hobby if it is not fun? Look at the pictures on Joe Street's web page. He looks like he is having FUN. Now look at it another way. We get a new recruit into ham radio, qrp etc. They come to this list and

check it out. Is their impression going to be "ham radio is fun" or rather "Ham radio is going downhill because 1) CW rules are too stringent 2) CW rules are not stringent enough 3) Contesters are ruining the bands 4) Big rigs are ruining the bands 5) Others?" And if they get the impression "Ham radio is going downhill" do you think they will stick with it?

Remember one way to improve the signal to noise ratio is increase the signal (I know it is not the typical QRP thinking but I think it is appropriate for newsgroups ;-)

Ok. I'm off my soap box now. Thanks for your indulgence.

Brian.

On Thu, 26 Oct 2000, Mike Yetsko wrote:

> > The second point has to do with the title of this message. I see
> QRP-L as
> > an electronic journal that comes out daily. It has feature stories,
> > headlines, latebreaking news, weather reports, solar activity reports,
> new
> > product information, advertisements, want ads, sports reports
> (contesting,
> > grin), etc. I buy a news paper every day. I don't read every page,
> nor do
> > I tell the publisher to print only what I want to read.
>
> Doug,
>
> I think this is one of the best analogies to come out so far!
>
> Mike

Brian Buydens
Veterinary Electronic Data Specialist
Computing Services, University of Saskatchewan
email: Brian.Buydens@usask.ca
<http://duke.usask.ca/~buydens>
VE5RDV

Did you hear about the two antennas that got married? The wedding was a disaster but the reception was great!

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:27:54 -0500
From: "Brockwell, Stephen E. CECOM SEC FSSE ILEX" <brockwse@fssec.army.mil>
To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82257] Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S
Message-ID: <F05408425630D4118DEE0000F840B5D485C84E@alrsrv02.fssec.army.mil>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"

In the middle of several other projects I'd like to find out how to reduce the power on a Kenwood TS 520S HF rig. There are two reasons for this.....
(1) qrp operation from the home station and (2) it is a borrowed rig and I'd also like to make sure that I don't hurt the radio.

This radio has a good receiver and it seems a shame to let it sit there when I could (maybe) reduce the power to 5 watts and use it.

If anyone knows I'd appreciate hearing it.

Steve KC5TTY

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:35:23 -0500
From: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>
To: "'brockwse@fssec.army.mil'" <brockwse@fssec.army.mil>, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82258] RE: Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S
Message-ID: <E78D8A9D6762D411B5440008C791D4AA0130319B@dfwex03.allegiancetelecom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Your TS-520 has a hollow-state driver and final power amplifiers. It's kind of a "power-hog" for QRP operation, but if you insist on using it, you could couple the r.f. from the driver tube, via a capacitor, to the Power Amp output pi-network connection (formerly the plate caps on the PA) and use it that way. It'll be 'way under 5 watts input (or output), but it will be QRP.

A better way to do this is to use the receiver only in conjunction with an SMK-1 or a Tuna Tin II or similar QRP transmitter.

Karl K - W8TIF
McKinney, Texas

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Brockwell, Stephen E. CECOM SEC FSSE ILEX

> [SMTP:brockwse@fssec.army.mil]

> Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2000 1:28 PM

> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

> Subject: Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S

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> the power on a Kenwood TS 520S HF rig. There are two reasons for

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> If anyone knows I'd appreciate hearing it.

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> Steve KC5TTY

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 14:40:37 -0400 (EDT)

From: Bob Patten <n4bp@bc.seflin.org>

To: "Brockwell, Stephen E. CECOM SEC FSSE ILEX" <brockwse@fssec.army.mil>

Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [82259] Re: Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S

Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.10010261458.A11752-0100000@bc.seflin.org>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Thu, 26 Oct 2000, Brockwell, Stephen E. CECOM SEC FSSE ILEX wrote:

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> I could (maybe) reduce the power to 5 watts and use it.

>

Steve, have a look at the schematic for a "Universal ALC Power Reducer" that I designed for my IC-706. Since the range is set with trimpots, should work with any transmitter using ALC input. It's on my website, URL below.

Bob Patten, N4BP , ' ' ' , (0 0) Plantation, FL
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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:42:48 -0600
From: "Bruce Kizerian" <kizerian@ced.utah.edu>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>,
<jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>
Subject: [82260] Re: Walking antenna pics online, etc.
Message-ID: <04bc01c03f7c\$89d7f4e0\$de56d9d8@sarcos.com>

Joe

The antenna was clever, but more interesting was your binaural experiments.
I am impressed.

This is a very well thought out and executed approach to a stand alone
binaural processor for CW reception. Unfortunately, I could not download the
.wav or the AutoCAD files. Could you send them to me directly?

In my "spare time" I have been playing around with the same sort of thing,
trying to come up with a Binaural processor that could be used with an I/Q
mixer. I've simulated a circuit that will, most likely, do the job--just
have too many irons in the fire at this time to build it. I think I still
have an AutoCAD file of the schematic somewhere around here if you are
interested. The circuit has variable phase shift, amplitude and low pass
filter cut off frequency. I wanted to control these parameters and
experience what varying each actually sounds like. Hope to get to it soon.

Anyway, thanks for a look at a great website and some extraordinary ideas.

Bruce kk7zz

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:35:19 -0500
From: Lew Paceley <lew@paceley.com>
To: ae5x@juno.com, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [82261] Re: What is an LMB-139?
Message-ID: <01a301c03f7b\$7e750760\$0332a8c0@roland.swbell.net>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="Windows-1252"
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Hi John,
The LMB's are tight fitting "bud boxes". In other words, they are nicely fit two piece aluminum boxes available in various shapes and sizes. They even say "Tite Fit" on the label. The number (139) refers to a specific size. I've seen both unpainted aluminum versions of the box (what I usually buy) as well as battleship grey versions.

In Dallas they're available at Fry's...and the small ones are typically under \$10 while the larger ones are generally under \$20.

Good luck and

72/73,
Lew
N5ZE

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:01:03 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Paul Harden, NA5N" <na5n@rt66.com>
To: Doug Hendricks <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82262] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.4.10.10010261231350.26832-100000@shell.rt66.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Thu, 26 Oct 2000, Doug Hendricks wrote:

> I see QRP-L as
> an electronic journal that comes out daily. It has feature stories,
> headlines, latebreaking news, weather reports, solar activity reports, new
> product information, advertisements, want ads, sports reports (contesting,
> <snip>

I agree with Doug 100% and think this analogy is RIGHT ON, from which all should take notice. And I think most have. What bothers me is when a post comes along that criticizes QRP-L, it seems a host of members just love jumping in to point out, once again, how bad things are. I suppose

if you tell everyone how bad it is, you figure a few more might believe it.

Personally, I think QRP-L runs pretty smooth and remains one of the friendliest and most useful ham radio related groups there are, inspite of the occassional periods of OT threads or whatever. I would much rather see subscribers spend their energy trying to improve and contribute to QRP-L than expend themselves criticizing it.

It **is** a daily journal. If you don't like the sports page (FOX, contests, etc.), then DON'T READ IT. If it weren't for QRP-L, there wouldn't be a FOX hunt. Afterall, it began day one by Chuck Adams as an event administered entirely via QRP-L, and must remain so. If you're a FOX hunter guy, certainly you don't want to wait for the standings to come out 3 months later in QST or something.

So read the QRP-L daily news and read those sections that turn you on and bypass the sections you don't care for. And submit posts (articles) to those sections you wish. And note that when it comes to reading a newspaper, nobody is there telling you what you should read/post and what not to, so why here?

We're all proud of being QRPers and we're all having fun and enjoying this hobby ... and it's all due to the sum total of QRP-L, NorCal, NJQRP, PacifiCons, AtlantiCons, QRP To The Fields, heck, even the Zombie Shuffle, all working together. Don't miss the big picture by thinking QRP-L is the whole enchillada. It will make you less critical of the individual efforts that make up the whole.

72, Paul NA5N

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 19:01:46 GMT
From: "Mike WA8BXN" <hubby2k@hotmail.com>
To: ae5x@juno.com
Cc: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [82263] Re: What is an LMB-139?
Message-ID: <F55Ex93K16McUuICI4G00002573@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

I bought one today as a matter of fact, about \$8, at a local radio/tv parts store (NOT Radio Shack!) Its a two piece grey painted steel box, 5.5 by 3 by 1.5 inches. Says on it its made by LMB, 2946 E 11th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90023. I'm not sure what mail order distributors may carry it. It

definitely though is not a TenTec box!

73 - Mike WA8BXN

>
>In anticipation of the arrival of my Warbler kit, I downloaded the
>assembly instructions from NJ-QRP's web site. Page 8 of manual says that
>the circuit board fits perfectly into an LMB-139 enclosure. Is that a
>part number from TenTec or.....? I'm not familiar with that nomenclature.

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 11:58:58 +0100
From: Chuck Adams <k7qo@primenet.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82264] W4RNL Articles in QST
Message-ID: <4.3.2.7.0.20001026111709.00c0bb20@pop.primenet.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Gang,

Since I don't recall seeing this posted to this list
I would like to make a suggestion that may be of interest to
some or many on the list.

Since I became a ham in 1957 all I have ever used at
the home QTHs has been wire antennas. Now that I have
4+ acres to play around on I am in the process of experimenting
with some fairly large wire antennas. I now have up a
40 meter vee-beam and I just rotated it toward the east
in the last hour for tonights fox hunt. :-) Tim doesn't
have a chance tonight.

I do use large aluminum arrays at other QTHs during SS, so
I do love those systems and use them. I just haven't gotten
to put one up yet, but that will soon follow at this QTH.

I have for years used NEC-2 to model wire antennas. I converted
the single precision version to double precision and run it

on LINUX SuSE 6.4. I also use the new version of EZNEC 3.0 (\$99) from W7EL, Roy Lewallen. I'll give references at the end.

L.B. Cebik, W4RNL, has started in the November 2000 issue of QST a four part series on antenna modeling using NEC (Numerical Electromagnetics Code). Just about everyone on this group should know who L.B. is (maybe not know what the initials mean :-). He has given talks at Dayton and Atlanticon on antennas and just recently retired from teaching at a university, so he is an expert on antennas, etc. He is a consultant to a famous manufacturer of yagi's. This I got when the Pres. and owner of same said this at a Ft. Tuthill presentation, so it is not secret information. At least that is not what was indicated.

So, if you don't get QST regularly, then you might consider getting the current issue and the next three. This series looks to be a 'not to miss' series. If you have not looked at the details of your antennas system (you do get on the air don't you?) and what it does and can do, then now is your opportunity to sit down a few hours a week for the next few months and learn a great deal about what is the most important part of a radio station (commercial or amateur). It doesn't take a rocket scientist to do this. Just an investment of your time and money to do a great job of working on your antenna system. And if you can't or won't invest some money in software, then there are some free versions of the software around, but probably not with all the high end graphics displays like EZNEC 3.0. Get the issue of QST to get those references.

And I personally recommend that you do not collect all four series and then start on the software. Start at the very beginning and keep a notebook and record everything that you do and read everything you can get your hands on. L.B.'s first article has a number of excellent URLs and references to get you started on the right foot.

Since the weather is getting colder and you'll be spending more time indoors, this will give you something to do if you are not on the air.

FYI es tnx for the bandwidth

REFERENCES:

<http://www.eznec.com/> for W7EL's stuff

<http://www.cebik.com/> for L.B.'s stuff (wow, a URL with his own name)

Use a search engine for NEC-2 to get a very long list to browse through.

Chuck Adams, K7Q0 Prescott, AZ

Date: 26 Oct 2000 12:10:18 -0700
From: John Doe <kc0bus@altavista.com>
To: elecraft@qth.net, QRP-1@lehigh.edu
Cc: sfike@twa.com
Subject: [82265] Elecraft K2 assembler wanted!!!
Message-ID: <20001026191018.6090.cpmata@c012.sfo.cp.net>
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Disposition: inline
Mime-Version: 1.0

Hi all,

I am looking for a preferably experienced Elecraft K2 assembler that lives within a reasonable driving distance of Kansas City where I live. If you qualify, please contact me off list at this e-mail address: sfike@twa.com.

Many Thanks!

Scott

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 14:14:26 -0500
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82266] Re: Reducing power on Kenwood TS 520S
Message-ID: <39F88292.F7270F60@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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How about backing off on the drive control? Used to work on my C-lines.

72/73, George W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas NETXQRP 6

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"Kanalz, Karl" wrote:

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 15:35:37 -0400
From: "Joe Everhart" <n2cx@voicenet.com>
To: <ae5x@juno.com>
Cc: "qrpl" <qrpl@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82267] Re: What is an LMB-139?
Message-ID: <002201c03f83\$eb880700\$735647d1@n2cxtoy>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

John AE5X,

You asked what it is. Check out the following on the NJQRP web site.

<http://www.njqrp.org/mbrproj/enclosures.html>

George Heron N2APB calls them QRPerfect enclosures! They are very handy for small QRP projects. I battery box and my onw Warbler in two of them.

The first mention I saw of them for QRP use was in the Ugly Weekender QRP rig in QST by (I think) Wes Hayward's son Roger.

If you make it out to one of the NJQRP meetings or Atlanticon or anywhere that George shows his goodies, you are sure to be convinced of their appropriateness.

72/73,

Joe E., N2CX

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 100 14:44:47 -0500 (GMT+5)
From: wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82268] Thanks
Message-ID: <200010261944.0AA14455@butler.qrp.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I just want to say thanks for all the good information I get from QRP-L.
QRP-L is more interesting than QST.
I learn about new things like SMK-1 and PSK-80 faster than I would otherwise.
I also am reminded about operating events.
I'm not super involved in any one thing, I'm just a ham.
But this QRP-L stuff is the good stuff.

When I read QRP-L I use vi, which is an old clunky text editor,
on the digest which I get once a day.
It's easy to tell vi to find the next subject line.
If the message is interesting, I read it.
If not, it's easy to skip to the next subject line.
Most of the time I skip a lot.
But sometimes, it's all interesting and I read it all.

Thanks,

Jim, WD9EYB

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 15:47:51 -0700
From: "Dave Benson" <nn1g@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [82269] Fw: What is an LMB-139?
Message-ID: <005001c03f9e\$c7d23a40\$8e24fc9e@pavilion>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

See p.357 of the current Mouser Electronics catalog- #537-139-P.

73- Dave, NN1G

-----Original Message-----

From: Joe Everhart <n2cx@voicenet.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2000 12:42 PM
Subject: Re: What is an LMB-139?

>John AE5X,
>
>You asked what it is. Check out the following on the NJQRP web site.
>
><http://www.njqrp.org/mbproj/enclosures.html>
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>

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 15:53:18 -0400
From: Howard Friedman <haf47@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82270] CW Decoder program
Message-ID: <20001026.155322.-3512167.0.haf47@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello and thanks for reading this note.

I am looking for info about the CW Decoder program of Grant, WD6CNF. I downloaded this good looking program from the NorCal site. Problem being is that it doesn't work on my machine!

I get an error message telling me that I have a "floating decimal

overload" problem. This is a problem I haven't had before, and I don't know how to correct it. Does anybody on the list use this program successfully? Has anyone had this problem and know how to solve it?

The program loads fine on my machine but locks up after about 2 seconds or so. The computer doesn't lock up, just the program. Any suggestions?

PLEASE send replies direct as I am not on the reflector...thanks in advance.

73, Howard WA2AFD

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 16:04:52 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <haf47@juno.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82271] Re: CW Decoder program
Message-ID: <058e01c03f88\$051d91e0\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hmm, You should give more info about your machine. Sometimes this 'kind' of error can occur when a machine is either way faster or way slower than the original target platform the software was written for.

These kinds of errors can also occur actually when any kind of calculation goes way out of range.

As to your specific error, you might have to contact the author.

Mike

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 14:05:47 -0600

From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82272] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <0E53eUzmRf6Ci6nx8dy0000065c@hotmail.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2000 11:14 AM
Subject: QRP-L IS An electronic journal

> I see QRP-L as
> an electronic journal that comes out daily. It has feature stories,
> headlines, latebreaking news, weather reports, solar activity
reports, new
> product information, advertisements, want ads, sports reports
(contesting,
> grin), etc.

I like this notion.

In addition to what others have already said let me add: If you don't like what you are reading--don't complain. Instead, go to your hamshack/workbench...whatever. Do something interesting. It doesn't have to be earth shaking, revolutionary or even require calculus (Hope that's not a dirty word Doug ;-) to understand. Just something that is fun and interesting to you. Then write a brief note about that activity and post it here on good ole QRP-L. I'll bet \$5 that whatever you write about will be interesting to somebody. Maybe somebody will write back explaining how whatever you did can be done faster, better, cheaper, differently....and so it goes, we'll all be better off.

Like the old song sez: "You gotta accentuate the positive..., eliminate the negative..."

73, Rod N0RC
Ft Collins CO

P.S. If somebody flames you, ignore it, you got better things to do. Bet antidote for flames is water, the best water to use on an email reflector is silence.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:14:40 -0700
From: Howard Friedman <haf47@juno.com> (by way of Jerry Parker <jparker@fix.net>)
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82273] RE: CW Decoder program
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20001026131440.00893dd0@fix.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

re: Hello and thanks for reading this note.

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73, Howard WA2AFD

Email Grant at Bluegeans@aol.com. He is very helpful.

Thanks,,,Jerry...WA6OWR...k

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 16:19:15 -0400
From: "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfdn.org>
To: <w5drc@earthlink.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82274] RE: The TRILL IS GONE?
Message-ID: <LPBBJAGIPFHKPJENAKLOKEMFCMAA.n1bq@wulfdn.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Lee Bahr
> Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2000 11:36 PM

[snip]

> QRP is fun and one must just immerse oneself in that portion of the
> hobby he likes and tune out the noise with your QRM filter.

I fail to see how guys who can ferret an S1 or less CW QSO out of the
middle of a high power European SW broadcast station can have so much
trouble with filtering a little text

> There are a lot of guys on here, some that are very silent but
> really nice guys. I try and cope with the bad by saying to myself,
> "there is MUCH MORE GOOD here than bad"! I can take it!
> You guys a princess compared to many other groups!

amen ... the complaints I have been hearing here are just so much
whining about comparatively minor items compared to some stuff I have
seen elsewhere on the net ...

72 de brian, n1bq

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 16:29:34 -0400
From: "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfdn.org>
To: <k5di@zianet.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82275] RE: FOX- "split" operation **caution/request**
Message-ID: <LPBBJAGIPFHKPJENAKLOMEMGCMMA.n1bq@wulfdn.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Karl F. Larsen
> Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2000 10:04 PM
>
> I suggest you check your Ten Tec gear with more care. My really OLD
> Argonaut has +- 5 KHz Offset tuning and is not modified. I
> should think the newer gear would be even wider.
>
> And the first radios with a and b vfo's first came out 15
> years ago. You can't buy a kenwood, icom or yaesu now without it.

While all of the above is quite true there are also a large number of
rigs out there whose RIT consists of rubbering a crystal around and you
simply aren't going to get much tuning from them.

Maybe a compromise is in order that the FOX should indeed try to spread em out but just be sure to spend enough time on the center freq +/- 1KHz to make sure everyone has an equal chance ...

Just my 2 shekels ...

72 de brian, n1bq

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N1BQ-3 @ 44 31.73N 072 51.55W

WideN-N digi and weather station in Underhill Center, VT

mailto:n1bq@wulfdn.org

AMSAT LM-1418 NJQRP #274

QRP-L #2276 Zombie #768

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 16:30:20 -0400
From: "David Maliniak" <dmaliniak@verticalnet.com>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82276] Re: QRP-L IS An electronic journal
Message-ID: <002a01c03f8b\$9206d820\$1c01a8c0@vertical.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Me, I liked the part where Doug said he'd make you run laps if you swear.
:-)

72,
David N2SMH
Glen Rock, NJ

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 13:40:28 -0700
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: haf47@juno.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82277] Re: CW Decoder program
Message-ID: <39F896BC.95ABF2DB@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

"Howard Friedman (by way of Jerry Parker)" wrote:

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Howard,

Since others have run the program successfully, it may relate to your machine. What are you using?

Phil

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 14:03:18 -0700
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [82278] Clarification of Cub List
Message-ID: <01c03f90\$2a7009c0\$330b0d0a@dhendricks>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

A point of clarification: The Cub list that I was referring to in my post earlier today was another one that was sponsored by arkie and split off from qrp-l by that group. It was a list for builders of the MFJ Cub transceiver and was NOT the Fox Cub. As you all know there were several problems with the Cub transceiver kits. Most of them were fixed on that list, but have not appeared on qrp-l, and thus we missed out on the information and learning that could have benefitted us all.

The Fox Cub info on the other hand is on this list and I am enjoying it very much. An excellent job by those doing the work. I apologize for the confusion.

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 15:34:33 -0600
From: "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>

To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82279] FOX: Official Results for Hunt 1
Message-ID: <39F84F09.22558.D97E45@localhost>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

The official results have been posted on the web site:
<http://www.cqc.org/fox>

Congratulations to the 86 hounds who have a PERFECT SCORE!

And good luck to all with Fox K50I this evening.

For the QRP-L Foxhunt Committee...
Marshall Emm, N1FN
Milestone Technologies, Inc.
(303) 752-3382
<http://www.mtechnologies.com>

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 15:35:39 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82280] Re: Thanks
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.10010261532350.1526-100000@cannac.ampr.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Vi is still the editor of choice by many Unix people. I use it only when I must on this Linux Computer. My favorite is a WordStar editor called joe. It's wonderful.

On Thu, 26 Oct 100 wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com wrote:

> I just want to say thanks for all the good information I get from QRP-L.
> QRP-L is more interesting than QST.
>
> When I read QRP-L I use vi, which is an old clunky text editor,

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 14:44:19 -0700
From: dave_epps@juno.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82281] Warbler Alive in Fresno
Message-ID: <20001026.144428.-154723.0.dave_epps@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This worked for me.
T2 (Board viewed with connectors at top)
Numbers represent holes
1 2 3
4 5 6

2 & 4 center tap
1 & 2 top half of coil
4 & 5 bottom half of coil
3 & 6 winding to r.f. output (6 gnd)

T1

1 2
3 4
5 6

1 & 4 center tap
1 & 2 top winding to Q5
3 & 4 bottom winding to Q6
5 & 6 drive via C10 (6 gnd)

You may notice that Vsw comes into the center tap on the board. Schematic differs.

Dave Benson says the board is fine.

Twist tightly , tin lightly and cut the ends of the stranded wire to a point to help get through the holes.

Not having a lot of patience and wanting to try the warbler out before the replacement heatsinks arrive I modified the heatsinks in the kit. I cutoff the bottom fin on the inside and cut a "V" to clear C107. On Q5 I cut a small slot and bent the bottom 2 outside fins to the rear to clear L2. I will keep the power down until the proper heatsinks arrive.
A big THANK YOU to Dave Benson and the NJQRP club for this great kit.

dave ab5pc fresno, ca

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 18:00:12 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: manager@astro.cc.lehigh.edu
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82282] Re: It's the Time of the Season!
Message-ID: <39F8A96C.5902@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Cla,

While Prefixes help, the biggest thing would be if everyone learned to
the the Reply To: button on their browsers not the Reply All" button.
This one feature causes more problems than any other. Messages get
answered in public and private answers get answered in public. I know
there are some lists that use the list address as the reply to address,
we are fortunate that we don't! If people would stop posting cute
answers and "I agree" to the whole list there would be more bandwidth
for real topics and the delete keys would not wear out so fast!

73

Date: 26 Oct 2000 15:07:37 -0700
From: John Doe <kc0bus@altavista.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82283] YAESU'S NEW QRP RIG!!!!!!!
Message-ID: <20001026220737.686.cpmta@c012.sfo.cp.net>
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Disposition: inline
Mime-Version: 1.0

I was just wondering what everyones initial reaction is to Yaesu's new QRP rig? It
definitely looks promising in my opinion (but I've been let down before, shades of
Patcomm come to mind), especially if this rig meets MIL-SPEC standards like it

looks and like so many of Yaeu's rigs do. If it does, then I will automatically buy one, price be damned! I need such ruggedness as I'm very rough on all my gear (Hey, I use my stuff, I don't baby it!). For those that haven't seen it, you can go slobber at it at <http://www.yaesu.com/amateur/ft817.html>

Has anyone heard how much Yaesu's street price for this rig might be?

72

Scott, KC0BUS

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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 15:24:51 -0700
From: "Mont Pierce" <MyGrapeVine@yahoo.com>
To: <kc0bus@altavista.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [82284] Re: YAESU'S NEW QRP RIG!!!!!!!
Message-ID: <023701c03f9b\$912cffa0\$27010101@RTA>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

You'll have to check with the FT817@egroups.com mailing list...

This is a great example of just what Doug was saying. Unless you've heard about the ft817 mailing list and have joined it, you've missed out on a lot of exciting posts and information... :(Too Bad.

I am on both lists, and I can say that there have only been a few crumbs about the ft817 posted to qrp-1.

I must normally delete about 90% of the qrp-1 posts without reading them. But I'd rather wear out my delete key than miss something as exciting as the discussions have been about the FT817! :)

Doug hit the nail right on the head when he compared reading the QRP-L journal to reading the daily newspaper. It's even better then that because you don't have to worry about discarding/recycling any paper. :)

73,
Mont
km6wt

----- Original Message -----

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To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
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Date: Thu, 26 Oct 2000 15:24:45 -0400
From: hamjoel@juno.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [82285] quarterly
Message-ID: <20001026.183733.-312533.2.hamjoel@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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